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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33506)

DATE: 10/16/75

FROM : SAC, CLEVELAND (157-5031) (P)

FD 217 Sent to Cleveland 10/22/75 tl

SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK)
REALM OF OHIO
EM - NKKKK

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Re Atlanta teletype to the Bureau, Cleveland
and Cincinnati, 9/29/75, captioned as above; and Cleveland
teletype to the Bureau and Cincinnati, 9/30/75, captioned
[redacted]

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight (8) copies of
an LHM, dated and captioned as above. Two copies of an
FD-376 are also being submitted. Additional copies of
the LHM are being forwarded to Atlanta and Cincinnati in
view of their interest in this matter.

Two copies of this LHM are being disseminated
to the U.S. Secret Service, Cleveland, Ohio.

Sources utilized in the enclosed LHM are as
follows:

CV T-1 is [redacted]

CV T-2 is former [redacted]

It should be noted that the NKKKK, Realm of Ohio,
has now switched its leadership and base of operations to
the Columbus, Ohio, area from Lodi, Ohio. Cleveland will
continue to follow and report the activities of the Ohio
NKKKK in the northern Ohio area.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

October 16, 1975

Director
United States Secret Service
Department of the Treasury
Washington, D. C. 20220

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

RE: **NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK)
REALM OF OHIO**

Dear Sir:

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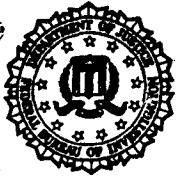
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Very truly yours,


Clarence M. Kelley
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s)) 2
U. S. Secret Service, **Cleveland (By Hand)**

Enclosure(s)



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
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Cleveland, Ohio

October 16, 1975

**NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK)
REALM OF OHIO**

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MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

On October 6, 1975, CV T-1, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that a meeting of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK), Realm of Ohio (see Appendix), took place at the residence of Ohio Grand Dragon MARVIN MILLER, 184 Woodrow Avenue, Columbus, Ohio, on October 4, 1975. The meeting lasted approximately two and one-half hours and was attended by a total of seven individuals, three of whom traveled from the Akron, Ohio, area. The following were noted in attendance: MARVIN MILLER, JOHN SHENADO, EDWARD COLLINS and TONY (Last Name Unknown), a Capital University student, all from the Columbus, Ohio, area, and DAVID PACETTI, RYLAND "ED" HOWE, and JAMES NIVENS from Northern Ohio. Five other known Klansmen from the Columbus area did not show for the meeting.

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Same source also stated that the meeting was run by MARVIN MILLER, who consumed the time with quotes from the Bible. There was no exchange of ideas or any proposals for the Klan organization now under his control. The only concrete accomplishment of this meeting was the designation of official positions for the NKKKK, Realm of Ohio, which are as follows:

MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

Grand Dragon: MARVIN MILLER
184 Woodrow Ave, Columbus, Ohio
MARVIN L. Miller
GA.

King Kleagle
or State Organizer: DAVID PACETTI
Munroe Falls, Ohio

157-168-1292

ENCLOSURE

Members

RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK)
REALM OF OHIO

Titan, Northern Ohio:

RYLAND "ED" ~~HOWE~~
Portage County, Ohio

Exalted Cyclops,
Columbus, Ohio, area:

ED ~~/~~ COLLINS Edward J. Collins
Columbus, Ohio

Source stated that there was no representative from the southern part of Ohio, around the Cincinnati area, in attendance at this meeting. Source further stated this area has been inactive in Klan affairs for quite some time.

On September 26, 1975, CV T-2, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that MARVIN L. MILLER is the current Grand Dragon of the NKKKK, Realm of Ohio, having been so designated by NKKKK Imperial Wizard JAMES R. ~~VENABLE~~. Source further added that MILLER was introduced by ~~VENABLE~~ at the annual NKKKK rally at Stone Mountain, Georgia, on August 30, 1975, as the Ohio Grand Dragon of the NKKKK.

Knights of the Ku Klux Klan

RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK)
REALM OF OHIO

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK)

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Intelligence Division

INFORMATIVE NOTE

Date 9/10/75

Attached teletypes furnish information regarding proposed violence on the part of the Ku Klux Klan (KKK) in connection with recently ordered desegregation of public schools in Louisville, Kentucky. As you are aware, Louisville has been the scene of civil unrest and violence by citizens opposing the 7/30/75 U. S. District Court forced busing order.

Information has been received by Louisville that the KKK has been spreading rumors of planned KKK activity on Friday night, 9/12/75; however, this story spread to cover fact that 100 scattered attacks and assassination attempts by the Klan will take place Thursday evening, 9/11/75. Named as assassination targets are Louisville Mayor Harvey I. Sloane, County Judge Todd Hollenback, U. S. District Judge James F. Gordon, other busing figures, and possibly persons connected with the news media.

Source of the information, reliability unknown, claims the Klan has five carloads of dynamite and 200 M-16 rifles.

Individual running the above plans alleged to be Walter Groves, a local Klan leader. Groves appeared at Louisville FBI Office 9/10/75 and claimed he opposes violent activity.

1 - General Investigative Division

1 - External Affairs Division

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President of local antibusing group advised 9/10/75 she understood KKK planned drastic action on evening of 9/11/75; however, no one advocated violence at KKK rally held evening of 9/10/75 including Groves.

Louisville requests authority to interview Groves and four other potentially knowledgeable persons to determine details regarding possible KKK violations of gun, antiriot and civil rights laws. Teletype to Louisville authorizing recommended interviews attached for approval.

telephonically
Louisville has advised persons named as possible assassination targets have been advised. Law enforcement agencies advised.

Pertinent data sent by teletype to Deputy Attorney General, attention Analysis and Evaluation Unit, Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, attention Internal Security and General Crimes Section of Department; U. S. Marshal's Service and Secret Service.

RECOMMENDATION:

Attached outgoing teletype authorizing Louisville interviews be approved.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

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TO DIRECTOR

FROM LOUISVILLE (157-2061)

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ATTN: INTD AND GID, CIVIL RIGHTS SECTION

KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, LOUISVILLE DEN; EM - KLAN, OO:
LOUISVILLE.

DESEGREGATION OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS, LOUISVILLE (JEFFERSON COUNTY),
KENTUCKY; POTENTIAL FOR VIOLENCE, SEPTEMBER, 1975; PUBLIC
EDUCATION - CIVIL RIGHTS ACT, 1964 - INTERFERENCE WITH
FEDERALLY PROTECTED ACTIVITIES; CIVIL UNREST.

ON SEPTEMBER 10, 1975, CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE, WHO HAS
FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN PAST, ADVISED THAT INFORMATION,
RELIABILITY OF WHICH UNKNOWN, HAS BEEN RECEIVED INDICATING THAT
MEMBERS OF KU KLUX KLAN (KKK), POSSIBLY IN BULLITT COUNTY,
KENTUCKY, HAVE BEEN INTENTIONALLY SPREADING STORIES CONCERNING
ACTIVITIES WHICH WILL REPORTEDLY TAKE PLACE FRIDAY NIGHT,
SEPTEMBER 12, 1975, PURPOSE OF WHICH IS TO LURE POLICE INTO
THINKING NOTHING WILL HAPPEN UNTIL FRIDAY, BUT ACTUALLY THE
KKK WILL TAKE ACTION ON THURSDAY NIGHT, SEPTEMBER 11, 1975,
CONSISTING OF PERHAPS 100 SCATTERED ATTACKS AND ASSASSINATIONS.
PRIME CANDIDATES FOR THESE ATTEMPTS ARE REPORTEDLY LOUISVILLE

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MAYOR HARVEY I. SLOANE, JEFFERSON COUNTY JUDGE TODD J. HOLLENBACH, AND UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT JUDGE JAMES F. GORDON AS WELL AS OTHER BUSING FIGURES AND SOME UNIDENTIFIED PERSONS CONNECTED WITH NEWS MEDIA.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, RELIABILITY OF WHICH IS UNKNOWN, WAS ALSO RECEIVED, INDICATING THAT FIVE ^{CARLOADS} ~~CASES~~ OF DYNAMITE REPORTEDLY ARE HIDDEN IN MARYVILLE SUBDIVISION, (SUBURB OF LOUISVILLE LOCATED BULLITT COUNTY) TOGETHER WITH 200 M-16 RIFLES, SOME OF WHICH MAY BE STORED BEHIND JACK'S TEXACO STATION IN MARYVILLE. SOME OF THE WEAPONS ARE ALLEGED TO HAVE BEEN IMPORTED BY MAN NAMED "VINCENT" WHO LIVES IN MARYVILLE AREA AND DEALS IN STOLEN PROPERTY. WALTER GROVES, EXALTED CYCLOPS OF LOUISVILLE KKK DEN, IS ALLEGED TO BE PERSON RUNNING ABOVE OPERATION.

CONCERNING ABOVE INFORMATION REGARDING SCATTERED ATTACKS, POSSIBLE ASSASSINATION ATTEMPTS, DYNAMITE AND M-16 RIFLES, INFORMATION ALSO INDICATES THAT OTHERS INVOLVED ARE LANNIE NORTHERNER, WHO RESIDES PRAIRIE DRIVE, BULLITT COUNTY, KENTUCKY, AND WHO IS REPORTED KKK MEMBER; ROBERT YATES, WHO RESIDES IN

BLOSSOM LAKE AREA; PERSON NAMED SKAGGS, NOT FURTHER IDENTIFIED, ALSO OF BLOSSOM LAKE AREA; AND INDIVIDUAL KNOWN ONLY AS BILL PEPPER.

ON SEPTEMBER 10, 1975, SUE CONNOR, PRESIDENT OF CONCERNED PARENTS, LOCAL ANTI-BUSING GROUP, INDICATED SHE IS IN RECEIPT OF INFORMATION, RELIABILITY OF WHICH IS UNKNOWN, INDICATING KKK PLANS DRASTIC ACTION ON WEDNESDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 10, 1975, RATHER THAN ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 1975.

ON SEPTEMBER 10, 1975, WALTER GROVES VOLUNTARILY APPEARED AT THE LOUISVILLE OFFICE OF THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION (FBI) AND ADVISED HIS KKK GROUP IS NO LONGER ASSOCIATED WITH KKK ORGANIZATION BEING RUN BY PHILLIP CHOPPER, GRAND DRAGON FOR STATE OF KENTUCKY. GROVES EXPRESSED OPPOSITION TO ANY ACTIVITIES INVOLVING VIOLENCE AND OFFERED HIS FULL COOPERATION TO FBI. GROVES INDICATED HIS KKK GROUP IS PLANNING RALLY EVENING OF SEPTEMBER 10, 1975, AT MC NEELY LAKE, JEFFERSON COUNTY, KENTUCKY, AND IF MEMBERS ARE AGREEABLE, GROVES WILL FURNISH COMPLETE NAMES OF ALL KKK MEMBERS.

ABOVE RALLY HELD SEPTEMBER 10, 1975, AS PLANNED AT MC NEELY LAKE. SPEAKERS, INCLUDING WALTER GROVES, ADDRESSED ISSUE OF FORCED BUSING, HOWEVER, DID NOT ADVOCATE VIOLENT PROTEST THERE OF. ADMISSION COLLECTED BY HOODED ATTENDANT AND ROCK BAND PERFORMED DURING RALLY WHICH CONCLUDED WITH RITUAL CROSS BURNING. RALLY ATTENDED BY 75-100 PERSONS WITH NO SIGNIFICANT INCIDENTS OCCURRING.

ABOVE INFORMATION DISSEMINATED TO LOUISVILLE DIVISION OF POLICE, JEFFERSON COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT, KENTUCKY STATE POLICE AND UNITED STATES MARSHAL, LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

RE LOUISVILLE TELETYPE TO BUREAU, DATED SEPTEMBER 10, 1975, BEARING LATTER CAPTION SET FORTH ABOVE.

SOURCE IS [REDACTED], WHO IS UNABLE TO ASSESS RELIABILITY OF INFORMATION FURNISHED AND IS NOT AT LIBERTY TO IDENTIFY ORIGINAL SOURCE OF INFORMATION DUE TO CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING RECEIPT OF SAME AS WELL AS NATURE OF OWN EMPLOYMENT.

IN VIEW OF SERIOUS NATURE OF INFORMATION SET FORTH ABOVE, BUREAU AUTHORITY IS REQUESTED TO INTERVIEW WALTER GROVES,

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LANNIE NORTHERNER, ROBERT YATES, SKAGGS AND BILL PEPPER TO
DETERMINE CREDIBILITY OF SAME INASMUCH AS POSSIBLE GUN LAW,
ANTIRIOT LAW AND CIVIL RIGHTS LAW VIOLATIONS MAY EXIST.

LOUISVILLE FEELS ASSESSMENT OF INSTANT INFORMATION NOT
POSSIBLE WITHOUT INTERVIEWS, WHICH WILL BE CONDUCTED IN SUCH
MANNER SO AS NOT TO JEOPARDIZE SOURCE OF INFORMATION.

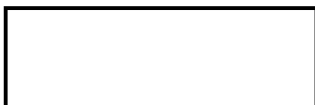
LOUISVILLE FOLLOWING INSTANT MATTER CLOSELY WITH ALL
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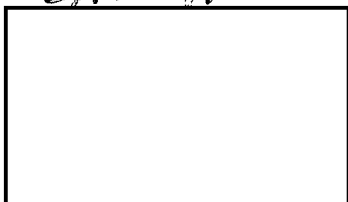
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Date: 10/8/75

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To: Director, FBI (157-168)

ATTENTION:

- ☐ GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION
☐ CIVIL RIGHTS SECTION
☐ CRIMINAL SECTION
☒ INTELLIGENCE DIVISION

From: SAC, COLUMBIA (157-141) (P)

Subject: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN,
SOUTH CAROLINA REALM

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☐ White Hate ☐ Black

Summary of Complaint:

Source is [REDACTED]

Source said [REDACTED] Mrs. MC

NEWTON, who operates the Heritage Garment Works, Columbia, S.C.,
 she related that she might have to expand the operation since she
 has a back order of 350 - 400 Klan robes. Source said she expressed

- ② - Bureau (Enc. 5)
 2 - Columbia

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INDICES: ☐ Negative ☐ See Summary

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ACTION: UACB:

Agency: ~~Secret Service~~☐ No further action being taken and

Dept. - AAG Civil Rights Div.

☒ LHM enclosed☐ Copy to: ☐ USA

AAG Criminal Div.

☐ FD-376 (Enc. to LHM)☐ Secret Service

Attn: ISS

☐ LHM being submitted☐ ATF

ACS (Ident Unit)

☐ Report being submitted

How forwarded

☐ Preliminary investigation instituted

Date: OCT 17 1975

☐ Limited investigation instituted

By: SK/HIV

☐ Investigation continuing

Approved: [Signature]

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surprise in the amount of robes being ordered, as such orders have been way off, but in her opinion interest in the Klan in this country as well as Canada and England accounts for the large increase in such orders. Source said she made the observation that these orders did not necessarily all come from the United States, but did include numerous Klan organizations in the United States.

Source said that he would contact the MC NEWTONs in and will attempt to pin point where these orders come from.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Columbia, South Carolina
October 8, 1975

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DATE 9-1-88 BY SP4 J. J. J.

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN,
SOUTH CAROLINA REALM

On September 22, 1975, source of the Columbia Division of the FBI, who has furnished reliable information in the past furnished the following information which might indicate a rising interest in the Ku Klux Klan on a world wide scope.

The owners and operators of the Heritage Garment Works in Columbia, South Carolina, have indicated that they might have to expand their business because they have back orders for 350 - 400 Klan robes of various kinds. This company is well known to Klan organizations in the United States as an exclusive manufacturer of Klan robes. The company is owned and operated by the Mc Newtons, who have been affiliated with various Klan organizations over the years. The Mc Newtons indicated that the orders for Klan robes had been way off, but in the past six months they have been receiving numerous orders for robes from all over the United States, Canada and England from various Klan organizations. They expressed surprise in such a large back order.

A characterization of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, South Carolina Realm is attached hereto in the Appendix.

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APPENDIX

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN
INCORPORATED (NKKKK)
SOUTH CAROLINA REALM

Sources have advised that the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Incorporated (NKKKK), South Carolina Realm, was officially formed in South Carolina in October, 1973, and is subordinate to the parent group at Stone Mountain, Georgia, and receives instructions and guidance from the National Headquarter-. John Howard is the Grand Dragon of this organization and its state headquarters and mailing address is Post Office Box 717, Laurens, South Carolina 29360.

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To: Director, FBI

ATTENTION:

- ☐ GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION
☐ CIVIL RIGHTS SECTION
☐ CRIMINAL SECTION
☒ INTELLIGENCE DIVISION

From: SAC, COLUMBIA (157-141-SF1)

Subject: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN
SOUTH CAROLINA REALM
RALLIES HELD SOUTH CONGAREE, S.C., 10/3 & 4/75

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Summary of Complaint:

Source mentioned in LHM is b2
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Public rallies held at South Congaree, S.C., on the even-
 ings of October 3 and 4, 1975. Attendance both nights was fair;
 no speeches of a violent nature and no incidents occurred.

- ② - Bureau (Enc. 8)
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INDICES: ☐ Negative ☐ See Summary

ACTION: UACB:

- ☐ No further action being taken and
☒ LHM enclosed
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☐ LHM being submitted
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☒ Secret Service - Columbia
☐ ATF S.C.

Agency: Secret Service

Dept. - AAG Civil Rights Div.

AAG Criminal Div.

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GCS (Int. Unit)

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

October 9, 1975

Director
United States Secret Service
Department of the Treasury
Washington, D. C. 20220

RE: **NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN
SOUTH CAROLINA REALM, RALLIES HELD SOUTH
CONGAREE, S.C., 10/3 & 4, 1975**

Dear Sir:

The information furnished herewith concerns an individual or organization believed to be covered by the agreement between the FBI and Secret Service concerning protective responsibilities, and to fall within the category or categories checked.

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5. ☐ Illegal bombing, bomb-making or other terrorist activity.
6. ☐ Defector from U. S. or indicates desire to defect.
7. ☒ Potentially dangerous because of background, emotional instability or activity in groups engaged in activities inimical to U. S.

Photograph ☐ has been furnished ☐ enclosed ☐ is not available.

Very truly yours,

Clarence M. Kelley
Clarence M. Kelley
Director

② - Bureau
1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s)) 1
U. S. Secret Service, Columbia, S.C.
1 - Columbia (157-141SF1)
Enclosure(s)

CEL:spr

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Columbia, South Carolina

October 9, 1975

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SOUTH CAROLINA REALM
RALLIES HELD SOUTH CONGAREE, SOUTH
CAROLINA, OCTOBER 3 AND 4, 1975

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DATE 9-1-88 BY SP8 J. J. J.

On October 8, 1975, a source of the Columbia Division of the FBI who has furnished reliable information in the past advised as follows:

S.C. On October 3, 1975, at 9 p.m., a public rally was held a half mile from South Congaree near an old junk yard. The rally was attended by twelve Klansmen and 20 spectators. JOHN HOWARD spoke on the need for participation by the people in local government and the need to get out and vote at all phases of our government. ~~JOHN HOWELL~~ of South Congaree spoke on the evils of communism and that unless the people took an interest in local elections and got out and voted that the country was in danger of succumbing to communism. Also speaking was Mrs. HOWELL. She gave advice on what mothers can do when troubles start in the school such as organizing parent groups, advising school authorities, et cetera.

S.C. On October 4, 1975, another public rally was held by the same group in the same location which was attended by 25 Klansmen and about 35 spectators. Mr. and Mrs. HOWELL gave the same speeches as they had the night before. An additional speaker, a Mr. HAROLD KAY, who is the Exalted Cyclops of Lodge 25 in Greenville, South

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN
SOUTH CAROLINA REALM
RALLIES HELD SOUTH CONGAREE, SOUTH
CAROLINA, OCTOBER 3 AND 4, 1975

Carolina, talked about how integration of schools has effected the quality of education and has brought about poor race relations.

None of the speakers were inflammatory in their remarks and they merely addressed themselves to the problems of the times. There were no incidents on these particular nights.

It is noted that although the police were advised that both rallies would be held, no police protection was observed on the area on either nights.

A characterization of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, South Carolina Realm, is attached hereto in the Appendix of this LHM.

APPENDIX

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN
INCORPORATED (NKKKK)
SOUTH CAROLINA REALM

Sources have advised that the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Incorporated (NKKKK), South Carolina Realm, was officially formed in South Carolina in October, 1973, and is subordinate to the parent group at Stone Mountain, Georgia, and receives instructions and guidance from the National Headquarter-. John Howard is the Grand Dragon of this organization and its state headquarters and mailing address is Post Office Box 717, Laurens, South Carolina 29360.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI (157-235)

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FROM CLEVELAND (157-5031)

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KLU KLUX KLAN, REALM OF OHIO,

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RE PITTSBURGH TELETYPE TO BUREAU SEPTEMBER 13, 1975.

[REDACTED] ADVISED DALE REUSCH HAS BEEN DRIVING A 1969
OR 1970 FORD PICKUP, BLUE WITH ALUMINUM COLORED CAMPERTOP ON BACK
OF PICKUP, BEARING 1974 OHIO LICENSE [REDACTED]. THIS VEHICLE BELONGS
TO KLANSMAN JOE BRUNO, WHO IS CURRENTLY SERVING TIME, AND BRUNO
HAS LOANED HIS VEHICLE TO REUSCH WHILE BRUNO IS IN JAIL.

SOURCE ALSO STATED THAT REUSCH HAS BEEN CARRYING A .45
AUTOMATIC COLT PISTOL WITH .45 FULL METAL CASE SLUGS IN RECENT
MONTHS WHEN GOING TO WEST VIRGINIA BECAUSE OF KLAN TROUBLE THERE.
SOURCE ALSO KNOWS REUSCH TO POSSESS A 30.06 GRAND RIFLE AND A WIN-
CHESTER MODEL 12 SHOTGUN WITH A 20 INCH BARREL.

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SOURCE STATED THAT REUSCH HAS BEEN MAKING CLAIMS OF HIS ABILITY TO ACQUIRE AUTOMATIC WEAPONS, GRENADES AND DYNAMITE FOR SEVERAL YEARS BUT HAS NEVER ACTUALLY DISPLAYED THIS ABILITY TO HIS FOLLOWERS.

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KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (KKKK)
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Enclosed for the Bureau are 8 copies of an LHM captioned as above, setting forth information concerning klan support of an individual charged by local authorities in connection with a shooting into a Negro residence at Winston-Salem, N. C. Copies of LHM are enclosed for Atlanta and Cleveland in view of their interest in above captioned organizations.

Copies of LHM being disseminated locally to U. S. Secret Service, Charlotte, N. C., and to U. S. Attorney, Greensboro, N. C.

Copies of FD-376 attached for Bureau.

This LHM is being submitted since the information set out in LHM indicates this could possibly lead to civil unrest and also since there is klan involvement in this matter.

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For the information of the Bureau, Atlanta, and Cleveland, CARLOS JOE GRADY, Grand Dragon, National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK), was under development as an extremist informant for a short period of time during 1975; however, he was discontinued because he was considered unstable and did not furnish any information concerning klan activities.

CARLOS JOE GRADY is the subject of pending investigation of the Charlotte Division, Bufile 157-29642, CE file 157-8949.

Information set forth in the enclosed LHM indicates that [] is receiving support from Unit #1 of the NKKKK, Winston-Salem, N. C., as a result of his being charged in connection with the shooting into an occupied dwelling of a Negro family at Winston-Salem, N. C.

Charlotte indices negative concerning [].

The Agent contacted by CARLOS JOE GRADY on 10/6/75, is SA PHILLIP E. CROUCH.

Police investigation in this matter indicates that apparently two individuals were involved in the shooting into the Negro residence; however, there is no reason to believe that there may be any Federal violation involved since it is an outgrowth of a racial disorder on a school bus.

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1. Will continue to follow this matter to determine
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2. Will maintain contact with [] to determine
if [] becomes a member of the klan.

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

October 16, 1975

Director
United States Secret Service
Department of the Treasury
Washington, D. C. 20220

In Reply, Please Refer to
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RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN
(NKKKK), EXTREMIST MATTER - KLAN;
KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (KKKK),
EXTREMIST MATTER - KLAN

Dear Sir:

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Very truly yours,

Clarence M. Kelley
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Charlotte, North Carolina

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(NKKKK)

EXTREMIST MATTER - KLAN

KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (KKKK)
EXTREMIST MATTER - KLAN

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On October 6, 1975, CARLOS JOE GRADY, former Grand Dragon of Unit #1, National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK), Winston-Salem, North Carolina, and presently Grand Dragon of the Winston-Salem Unit of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (KKKK), telephonically contacted an Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and advised that a klan sympathizer, [redacted] had been charged by local authorities with firing into an occupied dwelling where a black family resided. GRADY stated the klan was attempting to obtain funds for [redacted] in an effort to have him freed because he was not guilty of this act. GRADY said that [redacted] was not a member of the klan at the time when this incident occurred on [redacted] but he did not deny that [redacted] might become a member of GRADY's unit.

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A characterization of the NKKKK is attached as an appendix to this memorandum.

The Knights of the Ku Klux Klan is a recently formed off-shoot of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan as a result of dissension within the ranks of that organization. Its leader has been identified as DALE REUSCH from Ohio. Statements made by REUSCH and other leaders in the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan indicate that this organization is still anti-Semitic and against the integration of the races.

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Sources whose identities are concealed herein have furnished reliable information in the past except where otherwise noted.

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RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN
(NKKKK)

KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (KKKK)

On October 7, 1975, Sergeant DAVE WILLARD, Internal Affairs Unit, Winston-Salem Police Department, Winston-Salem, North Carolina, advised that [redacted] was arrested on [redacted] for shooting into the occupied dwelling of the [redacted] family at [redacted] Winston-Salem, North Carolina. [redacted] was identified by [redacted] age 17, as the individual shooting into this residence. The [redacted] family is black and the neighborhood is integrated. There was no information that [redacted] was a member of the Ku Klux Klan but he had friends belonging to the klan.

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On October 15, 1975, Sergeant WILLARD furnished the following information: The shooting into the [redacted] residence by [redacted] was apparently an outgrowth of a fight which took place on a school bus on [redacted] involving a black student and a white student from Carver High School, Winston-Salem, North Carolina. The fight was stopped, however, another 17-year old white male, [redacted] North Carolina, assaulted a 15-year old female, [redacted] [redacted] was arrested on [redacted] by local police and later was found guilty of assaulting [redacted] and received a 30-day jail sentence which was suspended for two years and fined \$50 and court costs. There were rumors as a result of this fight on the school bus that the Ku Klux Klan and the Black Panthers were going to get involved in this racial dispute, however, this did not occur.

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A characterization of the Black Panther Party is attached as an appendix to this memorandum.

Sergeant WILLARD further advised that during the evening hours of [redacted] a shooting occurred which involved shooting into the residence of [redacted] age 17, a student at Carver High School. In addition, a 1965 Dodge Dart car belonging to the [redacted] family was also damaged. Police investigating this shooting found both 12 gauge and 16 gauge spent shells at the front of the [redacted] residence. [redacted] age [redacted] home address [redacted] Winston-Salem, North Carolina, was identified by [redacted] as the perpetrator and [redacted] was arrested and charged on [redacted] with malicious damage to property as well as discharging firearms.

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(NKKKK)

KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (KKKK)

On October 7, 1975, [] was found guilty of malicious damage and sentenced to six months in jail and fined \$500. He has appealed this conviction. He was also bound over to Superior Court for trial on the felony charge of shooting into an occupied dwelling. It is believed the shooting into the [] home was a direct result of the school bus fight on []

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Sergeant WILLARD noted that during the trial of [] for malicious damage on October 7, 1975, VIRGINIA DOBY testified that she was with [] during the time the shooting occurred and that she and [] were at a drive-in movie. VIRGINIA DOBY has identified herself at a public klan rally on September 13, 1975, as the Queen Kleagle of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. During the course of the trial, [] denied being a member of the klan; however, he did not take the witness stand. His trial on the felony charge has not been scheduled.

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Sergeant WILLARD also advised that following the shooting into the [] residence, a bulletin had been issued by the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan requesting support for the defense of [] and some of these bulletins were circulated in the Mineral Springs area of Winston-Salem. He stated there have been no further incidents involving blacks and whites since [] were convicted.

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On October 15, 1975, CE T-1 advised that on September 30, 1975, during a meeting of the Winston-Salem Unit of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, the name of [] was raised and it was recommended that financial support be given for [] by the klan in connection with his recent arrest for shooting into a Negro residence. There was no indication that [] was a member of this unit and this support was being given to him since it was believed his arrest was unjustified. The klan wanted to show publicly its support for []

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On October 15, 1975, [] Winston-Salem Police Department, advised that her records show [] is a white male, born [] Social Security Number [] He has a lengthy record dating back to March 29, 1969, mostly for traffic charges, non-support, driving while intoxicated, two charges of burglary, and two charges of assault with a deadly weapon.

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APPENDIX

BLACK PANTHER PARTY FORMERLY KNOWN AS THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY FOR SELF-DEFENSE

The Black Panther Party (BPP), organized in December, 1966, at Oakland, California, by Huey P. Newton and Bobby George Seale, has the publicly stated purpose of organizing black people to take control of the life, politics, and destiny of the black community. The Party, operating the Black Panther Intercommunal News Service, publishes a newspaper called "The Black Panther," which at one time openly advocated the use of guns and guerrilla tactics in a revolutionary program to end the oppression of the black people but since early 1971 has spoken for a survival program pending revolution.

While openly advocating direct overthrow of the U. S. Government by force and violence until 1971, leaders have since avoided extreme statements in favor of calling for action within the established order. Newton, in an interview appearing in the May, 1973, issue of "Playboy" magazine, stated the Panthers' chief ambition is to change the American Government by any means necessary but that ultimately such change will be through armed violence.

BPP national headquarters, also known as Black Panther Intercommunal Headquarters, as of May, 1974, continued to be located in Oakland, California, with branches throughout the country.

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FROM: SAC, CHARLOTTE (157-193) (P)

RE: RALLY SCHEDULED SEPTEMBER 13, 1975,
BY NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK)
BELEW CREEK, NORTH CAROLINA,
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Re Charlotte teletype to Bureau, 9/9/75.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 5 copies of LHM dated and captioned as above. Two copies of the LHM are being enclosed for the Atlanta, Cleveland, Columbia, New Orleans, and Pittsburgh Divisions, dated and captioned as above, in view of the attendance of Klansmen from these areas at the rally.

One copy of LHM being disseminated locally to U. S. Secret Service, Charlotte, N. C., and to USA's Office, Greensboro, N. C. Copies of FD-376 are attached to LHM.

CE T-1 is [] located [] (to be serialized). b2 b7D

JOE GRADY, Grand Dragon of North Carolina Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, is a member of Unit 1 of the Winston-Salem, N. C., Chapter, and is the subject of Charlotte file 157-8949, and Bufile 157-29642, and GRADY's activities are reported to the Bureau periodically.

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In Reply, Please Refer to
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KLAN (NKKKK), BELEW CREEK, NORTH
CAROLINA

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RALLY SCHEDULED SEPTEMBER 13, 1975,
NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN,
BELEW CREEK, NORTH CAROLINA,
EXTREMIST MATTER - KLAN

On September 14, 1975, CE T-1 advised that on September 13, 1975, the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK), held a rally at Belew Creek, North Carolina, with approximately 200 individuals in attendance. The main speakers were: JOE GRADY, Grand Dragon from North Carolina; JOHN HOWARD, Grand Dragon from South Carolina; EARL PEARSON, a Fundamentalist Preacher, Greenville, South Carolina; and Mrs. VIRGINIA DOBY, who identified herself as Queen Kleagle from North Carolina. GRADY spoke against North Carolina Governor JAMES HOLSHOUSER's decision to give the Dungeon Club in Winston-Salem, North Carolina, a \$25,000 grant.

The Dungeon Club is frequented by predominantly black patrons and was the scene of a racial disturbance in Winston-Salem, North Carolina, on August 13, 1975. HOWARD spoke against bussing and the Government's Give-Away Program, while PEARSON spoke about salvation and how the morals of America have decayed. Mrs. VIRGINIA DOBY spoke shortly against bussing of small school children and the problems of bussing. There were several other speakers, unidentified, who denounced the Supreme Court, the Welfare Programs, the outcome of the JOANN LITTLE trial, as well as the bussing issue. All those in attendance were provided application forms for joining the Klan. The end of the rally was high-lighted with the burning of a cross and at no time during the rally was there any outside agitation and everything was very peaceful.

On September 14, 1975, there appeared in the Winston-Salem Journal, a local newspaper published in Winston-Salem, North Carolina, an article on Page 4 B, written by Reporter HOWARD CARR, entitled "Klansmen Make Speeches,

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RE: RALLY SCHEDULED SEPTEMBER 13, 1975,
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BELEW CREEK, NORTH CAROLINA

Burn Traditional Cross." This article described the Klan rally which took place at Belew Creek, North Carolina, on September 13, 1975. There was a photograph of JOE GRADY dressed in Klan robes holding an icepick in his hand. The article also indicated that approximately 200 people attended the rally and listened to JOE GRADY and others criticize the Supreme Court, busing, and other issues of the day. Approximately twenty-five people wore the traditional Klan robes and Klan applications were passed out during the rally. Two speakers at the rally were identified as EARL PEARSON, a fundamentalist Preacher from Greenville, South Carolina, and Mrs. VIRGINIA DOBY, from North Carolina. After the speeches and raffling of several prizes, the robed Klansmen marched to the cross.

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FROM DIRECTOR FBI (157-168) 1 - Mr. J. G. Deegan
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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, REALM OF OHIO,
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FOR THE INFORMATION OF LOUISVILLE AND CLEVELAND,
PITTSBURGH ADVISED IN REFERENCED TELETYPE THAT INFORMANT
[REDACTED] AN M-16 RIFLE AND A THOMPSON
SUBMACHINE GUN BY AN UNSUB WHITE MALE SHORTLY AFTER CONTACT
BY DALE REUSCH, LONG-TIME KLANSMAN FROM OHIO AND UNTIL
RECENTLY OHIO NATIONAL KNIGHT OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK)
GRAND DRAGON. IN ADDITION, UNIDENTIFIED PERSON STATED HE
COULD PROVIDE HAND GRENADES BY THE CASE. (c)

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PITTSBURGH AND CLEVELAND SHOULD REFER TO COLUMBIA AIRTEL DATED SEPTEMBER 3, 1975, CONCERNING NKKKK ANNUAL RALLY AT STONE MOUNTAIN, GEORGIA, AUGUST 30, 1975, A COPY OF WHICH WAS FURNISHED PITTSBURGH AND CLEVELAND RELATIVE TO REUSCH HAVING POSSESSION OF DYNAMITE, HIS ATTEMPT TO PURCHASE AN AUTOMATIC WEAPON AND HIS PURCHASE OF A PISTOL. AS PITTSBURGH AND CLEVELAND ARE ALSO AWARE, REUSCH WAS ARRESTED BY WEST VIRGINIA STATE POLICE IN APRIL, 1975, HAVING BEEN FOUND TO BE IN POSSESSION OF A STICK OF DYNAMITE. COLUMBIA ALSO ADVISED REUSCH WAS ATTEMPTING TO OBTAIN FUSES FOR THE DYNAMITE AND ADVISED THAT REUSCH, UPON LEAVING GREENVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA, WAS HEADING FOR LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY, AND SEVERAL DAYS THEREAFTER WAS RETURNING TO CHARLESTON, WEST VIRGINIA.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OF PITTSBURGH AND CLEVELAND, REFERENCED LOUISVILLE TELETYPE ADVISED THAT INFORMATION HAD BEEN RECEIVED BY LOUISVILLE THAT THE KU KLUX KLAN (KKK) PLANS 100 SCATTERED ATTACKS AND ASSASSINATION ATTEMPTS TO TAKE PLACE SEPTEMBER 11-12, 1975, IN THE LOUISVILLE AREA. NAMED AS ASSASSINATION TARGETS WERE LOUISVILLE MAYOR, A COUNTY JUDGE AND U. S. DISTRICT JUDGE ALONG WITH BUSING

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FIGURES AND POSSIBLY PERSONS CONNECTED WITH THE NEWS MEDIA.
IN LOUISVILLE TELETYPE, AN UNDISCLOSED SOURCE CLAIMED THE
KLAN HAS FIVE CARLOADS OF DYNAMITE AND 200 M-16 RIFLES.

DALE REUSCH WAS REPORTEDLY IN CHARLESTON, WEST VIRGINIA,
AREA SEPTEMBER 10, 1975, AND RECIPIENTS SHOULD CONDUCT
APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION TO ESTABLISH HIS PRESENT
WHEREABOUTS AND ADVISE THE BUREAU.

RECIPIENTS SHOULD NOTIFY APPROPRIATE LOCAL AUTHORITIES
RELATIVE TO REUSCH ALLEGEDLY BEING IN POSSESSION OF EXPLOSIVES
AND WEAPONS AND REPORTED TRAVEL TO LOUISVILLE AND CHARLESTON,
WEST VIRGINIA.

RECIPIENTS SHOULD KEEP BUREAU PROMPTLY ADVISED OF
PERTINENT DEVELOPMENTS IN THIS MATTER BY TELETYPE. ARMED
AND DANGEROUS.

NOTE:

Louisville has been the scene of civil unrest and
violence by individuals opposing the 7/30/75 U. S. District
Court forced busing order. Since the opening of schools on
9/4/75, situation in Louisville has been extremely tense,
the National Guard is on the scene and there have been numerous
instances of civil unrest. As pointed out above, Louisville,
by teletype 9/11/75, advised rumors of violence on the part of
the Klan have been received and such violence is reportedly
to include assassination attempts and Klan also reportedly
has dynamite and M-16 rifles in their possession. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] M-16 rifle and a submachine gun

Pittsburgh advised [REDACTED]
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(S) [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Referenced telephone call
was from [REDACTED] to Louisville Supervisor [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] advising [REDACTED] of background information on
Dale Reusch, set forth in instant teletype. Separate
instructions to a number of field offices concerning
investigation of Reusch and his Klan activity are being
prepared.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (157-5031) (P)

RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU
KLUX KLAN, REALM OF OHIO
EM - NKKKK

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On 10/21/75, [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that Columbus, Ohio Klansman EDWARD COLLINS has tentatively scheduled a meeting with six people residing in Polermo, Ohio, for the weekend of 10/25-26/75 or 11/1-2/75. Source stated that these six individuals are currently interested in joining the NKKKK Realm of Ohio.

Source stated that he does not anticipate attending this function.

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6:33PM NITEL NOVEMBER 12, 1975 JDC

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

CLEVELAND

PITTSBURGH (157-2459)

FROM: CHARLOTTE (157-193)

KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, EM-KKKK.

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[CHARLOTTE TELETYPE TO BUREAU, NOVEMBER 11, 1975.]

SOURCE WHO HAS PROVIDED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE

ON NOVEMBER 12, 1975, [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT RALLY NO

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LONGER TO BE HELD IN WINSTON-SALEM, N.C., ON NOVEMBER 15, 1975,
BUT A NATIONAL MEETING AND SUPPER WILL BE HELD IN DAVIDSON CO.,
N.C., NOVEMBER 15, 1975. NATIONAL MEETING AND SUPPER TO BE HELD
AT THE FISH CAMP ON HIGHWAY 150 IN DAVIDSON CO., APPROXIMATELY
8 TO 10 MILES FROM WINSTON-SALEM, N.C. IMPERIAL WIGARD DALE
REUSCH HAS TENTATIVELY INDICATED HE PLANS TO BE IN THE WINSTON-
SALEM AREA FOR APPROXIMATELY ONE WEEK FOR EXPRESSED PURPOSE NOT
KNOWN.

[CHARLOTTE DIVISION WILL HAVE SOURCE MAINTAIN CLOSE CONTACT
WITH ACTIVITIES OF REUSCH AND ANY OTHER CHANGES AND PLANS OF
SCHEDULED NATIONAL MEETING.]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 11/10/75

FROM : SAC, PHILADELPHIA (157-9487) (C)

SUBJECT:

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Re Bureau nitel to Newark, 5/5/75; and Philadelphia letter to the Bureau, 7/25/75, both captioned NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN; EM".

Enclosed for FBIHQ are four copies of an investigative summary. Two copies of an FD 367 are attached, enclosing two photographs for FBIHQ, of the subject.

One copy of the investigative summary and one photograph of the subject are being disseminated to Secret Service, Philadelphia, Pa.

Subject does not meet ADEX criteria.

Interview not being recommended since subject offers no informant potential and there is no information that he would cooperate.

The following have been identified as subject's relatives:

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Mother

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

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Director
United States Secret Service
Department of the Treasury
Washington, D. C. 20220

In Reply, Please Refer to
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RE:

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Dear Sir:

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Very truly yours,


Clarence M. Kelley
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s))
U. S. Secret Service, **Philadelphia, Pa.**

Enclosure(s) (2)



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

November 10, 1975

INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY

EXTREMIST MATTER - KLAN

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This investigation is based on information which indicates that [redacted] in view of [redacted] Roy Frankhouser, a well known Klan extremist (see Appendix) in the Reading, Pa., area, and his affiliation with the National Revolutionary Army, a white hate extremist group, headed by Frank Drager, a well known white hate group extremist in the Trenton, New Jersey area, is engaged in activities which could involve a violation of Title 18, U. S. Code, Sections 2389 (Recruiting For Service Against The United States), 2383 (Rebellion and Insurrection), 241 - 245 (Civil Rights), 231 - 233 (Civil Disorders), and 2101 (Riots).

[redacted] a white male, was born [redacted]
[redacted] He is single, resides at [redacted]
[redacted] and is unemployed.

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[redacted] has been identified as [redacted] Roy Frankhouser, Supra, and Philip Alan Maier, a Reading, Pa., white hate group extremist, and was arrested for disorderly conduct with Maier on March 16, 1975, and April 19, 1975, at Reading, Pa. [redacted] was associated with the National Revolutionary Army around March 1975, at which time he and others conducted a "mock battle" near the Bingamin Street Bridge, in Reading, and as a result was arrested for disorderly conduct. [redacted] has been observed wearing the "uniform" of the National Revolutionary Army, consisting of dark green shirt, slacks, and beret with some type of insignia.

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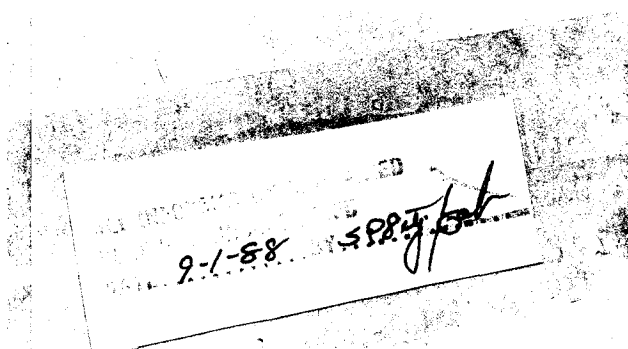
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Information developed determined that the National Revolutionary Army is not a structured organization in Reading and its only membership in Reading consisted of [redacted] and Maier. The group in Reading has been described as being interested mainly in "booze parties" and committing malicious mischief. In July 1975, [redacted] and Maier reportedly had a "falling out" and Ressler has not associated with Maier or the National Revolutionary Army since that time.

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UNITED KLANS OF AMERICA, INC.

The United Klans of America, Inc., was chartered in 1961 in Georgia. Its purported aims and purposes are the promotion of Americanism, white supremacy, and segregation of the races. It is the dominant Klan group in the South with headquarters at Tuscaloosa, Alabama, and is currently active in several states.



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From: SAC, Baltimore

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MARYLAND KNIGHTS OF THE
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Enclosed for the Bureau are 8 copies and for
 Atlanta 2 copies of an LHM dated and captioned as above.

Two copies of an FD-376 are attached for the
 Bureau.

Local dissemination being made to Secret Service,
 Baltimore, Maryland.

A copy of the taped interview made by radio
 station WANN, Annapolis, Maryland, was furnished to SA [redacted]
 and is being maintained in the 1A section of the
 BAfile 157-4513.

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Confidential source in LHM is [redacted]
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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

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Washington, D. C. 20220

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RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN
EXTREMIST MATTER - KLAN

Dear Sir:

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Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Clarence M. Kelley".
Clarence M. Kelley
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s))
U. S. Secret Service, Baltimore

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Baltimore, Maryland
October 30, 1975

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EXTREMIST MATTER - KLAN

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CARL SNOWDEN, on his weekly radio program "Community Viewpoint," interviewed LAYTON BRAUN, Sr., identified as a spokesman and public relations representative of the National Klans of America. The program was prerecorded and broadcast over radio station WANN, Annapolis, Maryland, on September 29, 1975, and October 6, 1975. At the time the broadcast was taped, BRAUN was accompanied by JACK MOORE identified only as klan security. MOORE did not participate in the question and answer program.

LAYTON BRAUN has been identified by a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, as a regular speaker at rallies of the Maryland Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (KKK), who at a recent rally was dressed in a red klan robe of a klan officer.

MARYLAND KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN

The Maryland Knights of the Ku Klux Klan was formed in early 1970 as a result of a leadership dispute, which culminated in the resignation of ANTHONY LA RICCI,

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Imperial Representative of the United Klans of America, Incorporated (UKA) of Maryland. The UKA was chartered in Georgia in 1961. It is under the leadership of Imperial Wizard ROBERT SHELTON, and is the dominant Klan group in the United States, with headquarters at Tuscaloosa, Alabama. In April, 1970, the Maryland Knights affiliated, in name only, with the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Incorporated. The National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan was chartered in Georgia in 1963, and is under the leadership of Imperial Wizard JAMES VENABLE, with headquarters at Tucker, Georgia. As of May, 1975, the Maryland Knights continued as an active organization. The objectives of the Maryland Knights include the preservation of white supremacy and, as stated by the Imperial Wizard of the National Knights, the education of the public to communist and subversive elements, such as International Zionism. The aims and purposes of the Maryland Knights are the

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opposition to forced
school bussing and a
desire to build a
state-wide membership
which would be a political
factor in the State of
Maryland.

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX (NKKKK)

The National Knights of the
Ku Klux Klan, Incorporated,
(NKKKK), a consolidation
of various klan groups, was
granted a charter in De Kalb
County, Georgia, in November, 1963.
The NKKKK was chartered as
a patriotic, secret, social,
and benevolent order; however,
in December, 1963, the NKKKK
issued a statement of its
program which indicated the
organization to be anti-Negro,
anti-Jewish, anti-Catholic,
and anti-foreign born. The
NKKKK and its affiliate groups
purportedly promote white
Christian Americanism and combat
communism. An annual NKKKK
rally and cross burning has
been held on Labor Day Weekend
in Stone Mountain, Georgia, on
the property of NKKKK Imperial
Wizard JAMES E. VENABLE.

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Some Klan members and leaders have been involved in atrocities including beatings, bombings, and murders, and have engaged in activities seeking to deny others their constitutional rights.

In response to questions concerning the origin, aims and policies of the KKK, BRAUN talked of the formation of the KKK in the Reconstruction Era when the carpetbaggers were sent to the South to do dastardly things to the white people.

BRAUN referred to the KKK as a secret organization with some members underground in the invisible empire because they do not want to jeopardize their jobs or their families. He described the KKK as a white Christian organization of super patriots dedicated to do everything to prevent revolution and to meet out justice to those who advocate revolution. In answer to a question whether the klan had ever engaged in terroristic actions, BRAUN admitted that the KKK could have committed acts of terrorism against blacks a long way back; however, he claimed that some bombings were actually carried out by some of the members of the FBI and blamed on the klan. BRAUN stated that the KKK believes in equality of the races but also in the separation of the races.

BRAUN commented that the KKK would not accept blacks as members and that blacks were genetically inferior to whites. He said the klan would take Jews only if they accepted the Christian belief in JESUS CHRIST and the Catholics only if they rejected the laws of the Catholic Church.

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In commenting on the threat of communists, BRAUN made reference to an international conspiracy called, "The Illuminati", whose goal is a one world government and he referred to HEINRICH BORS (phonetic), head of the United States State Department, as a communist.

BRAUN declined to give any membership figures for the Maryland Knights and would only state that the membership in Annapolis alone was in the hundreds. In answer to a question as to what the klan with all its members was doing, BRAUN said that when an emergency arises, it is incumbent on the klan to become active and a few members will come forward publicly; however, he said the Federal Government has prevented the klan from doing anything. He stated that the KKK is definitely opposed to bussing and integration.

The only references BRAUN made to the Maryland Knights, KKK, under TONY LA RICCI were to refer to LA RICCI as a former Catholic.

The Washington Post newspaper, Sunday, October 12, 1975, issue carried an article concerning the National Knights and the Maryland Knights of the KKK which is set out below:

Five Klan Dragons— Banished by Wizard

By Lawrence Feinberg
Washington Post Staff Writer

The grand dragon of the Maryland Knights of the Ku Klux Klan yesterday called the Klan's imperial wizard "senile" after the wizard banished him and the grand dragons of four other states from the group.

The wizard, James R. Venable, of Atlanta, said he imposed the banishment because the five men had been "conspiring against me" and taking in members "who are not morally fit."

The Maryland dragon, Tony LaRicci, 47, a Baltimore factory worker, has headed the state's Klan organization for six years. Venable, a 71-year-old lawyer, has headed the National Knights of the Klan for 13 years.

Venable also owns the property in Stone Mountain, Ga., where the Klan holds its annual national rallies with large flaming crosses, and has been a klansman since 1923.

He said he issued his banishment order, expelling LaRicci and Klan leaders in four other states North Carolina, South Carolina, Ohio, and New Jersey — because the five had



JAMES VENABLE
... "I am not senile"

been "unfaithful to their oath in conspiring to elect a new imperial wizard...and getting in undesirable members."

LaRicci said Venable is "getting too old and senile to run the organization. He should retire."

LaRicci added that the banishment order is not legal under the Klan constitution because Venable has not

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Md. Klan Dragon, 4 Others Ousted in Fight Over Fitness

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called a meeting of the imperial board.

"He doesn't know any more about the constitution than a goat does," Venable responded in an interview. "I appointed them (the grand dragons) and I can banish them. I can expel any Klan member for any reason."

Venable said the five dragons along with some other Klan members met secretly in West Virginia last month and elected Dale Reusch, of Lodi, Ohio, as imperial wizard to replace him.

"But I had them under strict surveillance," Venable said. "I had two people there, and I have everything on tape."

LaRicci confirmed that he was at the West Virginia meeting, but said Reusch was elected only as a "temporary" wizard while a new federation of state Klan groups is being formed.

He said his Maryland group already has pulled out of Venable's group, the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, which is one of the two main Klan organizations in the country. The other is the United Klans of America, headed by Robert Shelton, of Tuscaloosa, Ala.

An FBI spokesman said Klan activity has been at a low level for several years.

The Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, which monitors the Klan, estimates that the total membership of all Klan groups now is less than 7,000 and generally stagnant.

Irwin Suall, a research officer for the ADL, said the most recent period of growth for the Klans was in the early 1960's, but that they declined sharply about 10 years ago, and have remained small. Suall said Venable's organization is "not significant."

LaRicci said he and some

other Klan leaders have been trying to get Venable to resign for several years.

"Of course, you don't come out and hurt the imperial wizard and tell him he's too old directly," LaRicci said. "You have to go about it in a round-about way. But he won't listen... Jimmy Venable is a great klansman, but he's just too old and senile for the job."

"I'm not senile," Venable retorted. "My mind is as brilliant as it was 40 years ago."

He added that the problem with LaRicci and the other Klan leaders he had banished is that "they all want to be chief and no Indians."

"None of them have much education," he continued. "None of them speak well to the public. None of them speak good English. I hate to say it. They are a reflection on me. But I appointed them because they seemed like dedicated men."

Venable said the ousted dragons have been accepting as Klan members "anything that has \$15, including men who are not morally fit."

Even so, he said, the Maryland Klan is "pitifully small." A well-advertised rally in Carroll County last spring attracted only 40 persons.

LaRicci said the organization is much larger, but he wouldn't say how large. He said it has about 30 local dens, with at least 25 men in each, including units in Laurel and Upper Marlboro, as well as 12 dens in Baltimore city. He said the largest den is in Dundalk, a blue-collar town in Baltimore County.

He said school busing has been bringing in more members — Catholic as well as Protestants.

"I have just as many Catholics now as Protestants," said LaRicci, who himself is an ex-Catholic.

"We'd even taken a reform Jew in this organization, but under no circumstances will we take a black."

Venable said the Klan now is "the only group fighting to save America from socialism and from being taken over by the blacks."

"We'll never have any peace in this country," he continued, "unless you let the Jews go back to Jerusalem and the niggers back to Africa, and I hold no ill will toward any race, color, or creed."

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KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, EM - KKKK.

RE PITTSBURGH TELETYPE TO BUREAU, CHARLOTTE, AND CLEVELAND,
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NOVEMBER 7, 1975.

ON NOVEMBER 9, 1975, [] ADVISED DALE REUSCH,
IMPERIAL WIZARD, KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (KKKK), TO ATTEND
RALLY TO BE HELD WINSTON-SALEM, N. C., ON OR ABOUT NOVEMBER
15, 1975. EXACT LOCATION OF RALLY NOT KNOWN AT THIS TIME BUT
SEVERAL GRAND DRAGONS FROM OTHER STATES ARE SCHEDULED TO ATTEND.

CHARLOTTE SOURCE TO ADVISE EXACT LOCATION AND OTHER
DETAILS OF RALLY.

CHARLOTTE AT WINSTON-SALEM, N. C., WILL REPORT RESULTS OF
PLANNED KKKK RALLY NOVEMBER 15, 1975.

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~~FROM: CHARLOTTE (157-193)~~

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KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, EM-KKKK.

~~CHARLOTTE TELETYPE TO BUREAU, NOVEMBER 11, 1975.~~

SOURCE WHO HAS PROVIDED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN
ON NOVEMBER 12, 1975, ADVISED THAT RALLY NO THE PAST,

LONGER TO BE HELD IN WINSTON-SALEM, N.C., ON NOVEMBER 15, 1975;
BUT A NATIONAL MEETING AND SUPPER WILL BE HELD IN DAVIDSON CO.,
N.C., NOVEMBER 15, 1975. NATIONAL MEETING AND SUPPER TO BE HELD
AT THE FISH CAMP ON HIGHWAY 150 IN DAVIDSON CO., APPROXIMATELY
8 TO 10 MILES FROM WINSTON-SALEM, N.C. IMPERIAL WICARD DALE
REUSCH HAS TENTATIVELY INDICATED HE PLANS TO BE IN THE WINSTON-
SALEM AREA FOR APPROXIMATELY ONE WEEK FOR EXPRESSED PURPOSE NOT
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RE CHARLOTTE TELETYPE TO THE BUREAU DATED NOV. 12, 1975. *see 1311*

ON NOVEMBER 14, 1975, [] WHO HAS FURNISHED
RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST, ADVISED DALE REUSCH,
IMPERIAL WIZARD, KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (KKKK), WILL
LEAVE LODI, OHIO, APPROXIMATELY 5:30 P.M., NOV. 14, 1975,
ENROUTE TO WINSTON-SALEM, N.C. REUSCH TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED
SOURCE ON [] WILL BE

TRAVELLING WITH HIM. REUSCH WILL SPEND NIGHT OF NOV. 14, 1975,
IN CHARLESTON, W.VA., AREA AND WILL CONTACT [] UPON HIS
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ON MORNING OF NOV. 15, 1975, [REDACTED]
DEPART CHARLESTON, W.VA., FOR WINSTON-SALEM, N.C.; [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] MEMBERS OF THE KKKK, FROM [REDACTED]
W.VA., WILL TRAVEL IN SECOND CAR TO ATTEND MEETING. (C)

REUSCH HAS NOT SPECIFIED VEHICLE HE IS DRIVING ON TRIP.
IN THE PAST, HE HAS OPERATED A 1969 GOLD BUICK SKYLARK,
OHIO LICENSE UA6499, OR 1970 BLUE FORD PICKUP TRUCK, WITH
WHITE CAMPER TOP, OHIO LICENSE 4W 929. [REDACTED] REUSCH'S
INDICATIONS ARE THAT HE INTENDS TO REMAIN IN WINSTON-SALEM
AREA AFTER MEETING ON NOV. 15, 1975. (C)

PITTSBURGH AT CHARLESTON, W.VA. (KANAWHA COUNTY). UPON
RETURNING, SOURCE WILL BE DEBRIEFED AND INFORMATION DISSEMI-
NATED TO THE BUREAU AND INTERESTED OFFICES.

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PITTSBURGH

FROM: CHARLOTTE (157-10091)

KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, EM - KKKK.

RE CHARLOTTE TELETYPE TO THE BUREAU, DATED NOVEMBER 12, 1975.

THE NATIONAL MEETING OF THE KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN WAS HELD AT FIRESIDE FISH CAMP, HIGHWAY 150, DAVIDSON COUNTY, N. C., NOVEMBER 15, 1975. FOLLOWING A SUPPER, DALE REUSCH, IMPERIAL WIZARD FROM OHIO, WAS THE MAIN SPEAKER AND ANNOUNCED HIS INTENTIONS OF RUNNING FOR PRESIDENT IN 1976, AND THAT HE WAS FOR STRONG DRUG CONTROL LEGISLATION AND FOR THE GENETIC INTEGRITY OF THE RACES. REUSCH PROVIDED A STATEMENT TO LOCAL PRESS INDICATING HIS VIEWS IN ANNOUNCING HIS CANDIDACY FOR THE PRESIDENCY. APPROXIMATELY 50 TO 60 PEOPLE ATTENDED THE MEETING AND SUPPER, THE MAJORITY BEING FROM THE WINSTON-SALEM, N. C., AREA. NO MEMBERS FROM S. C., VIRGINIA, KENTUCKY, OR MARYLAND PRESENT. TWO KLANSMEN FROM MISSOURI PRESENT, IDENTITIES UNKNOWN. FOLLOWING THE MEETING, REUSCH LEFT THE WINSTON-SALEM, N. C.,

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PITTSBURGH, WILL FURNISH RESULTS OF CONTACT WITH SOURCE
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TO DIRECTOR (157-168)

FROM NEW YORK (157-8811)

ATT: INID

EARL SCHOONMAKER, NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN

(NKKKK), EM - KLAN.

"DAILY NEWS", NYC, DECEMBER 22, 1974 IN AN ARTICLE CAPTIONED,

"UPSTATE PRISON IN GRIP OF KKK", REPORTED A KU KLUX KLAN

(KKK) GROUP COMPRISED OF FIFTEEN MEMBERS INCLUDING A

GRANDE DRAGON, AND NEW YORK STATE CORRECTIONAL EMPLOYEES,

"CONDUCTING A SMALL REIGN OF TERROR AGAINST BLACK INMATES AND

THOSE ATTEMPTING TO AID IN THEIR REHABILITATION"; AT THE EASTERN

NEW YORK CORRECTIONAL FACILITY (ENYCF), NAPANOCH, NY. THE

ARTICLE REPORTED KKK MEMBERS HAVE FIRE BOMBED CELLS OF INMATE

BLACK LEADERS AND HAVE SMUGGLED KLAN LITERATURE INTO ENYCF TO

RECRUIT AND ORGANIZE WHITE INMATES AGAINST THE BLACK POPULATION.

EARL SCHOONMAKER WAS IDENTIFIED IN THE ARTICLE AS A TEACHER AT

ENYCF, AND ADMITTING HE WAS THE GRANDE DRAGON DIRECTING KLAN

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ACTIVITIES IN THE AREA.

ON DECEMBER 20, 1974, MR. JOHN J. MC CARTHY, INSPECTOR GENERAL, STATE OF NY, DEPARTMENT'S CORRECTIONAL SERVICES, ALBANY, NY, ADVISED CONSIDERATION WAS BEING GIVEN TO SUSPEND SCHOONMAKER, SUPRA, FROM HIS EMPLOYMENT AS A TEACHER AT ENYCF FOR INTRODUCING CONTRABAND MATERIAL IN THE FACILITY, SPECIFICALLY MATERIAL FOR AN INMATE TO PAINT FIGURES OF KLANSMEN. MR. MC CARTHY STATED ANY ACTION AGAINST SCHOONMAKER IS NOT BASED ON KLAN AFFILIATION, AS IT IS NOT AGAINST THE LAW FOR A STATE EMPLOYEE TO BE A KLAN MEMBER UNLESS^S HE WAS INVOLVED IN KLAN ACTIVITY WHILE ON DUTY.

ON DECEMBER 22, 1974, JEROME W. PATTERSON, SUPERINTENDENT, ENYCF, ADVISED THE WIDE-SPREAD LOCAL PUBLICITY APPEARING IN NEWSPAPERS IS EXAGGERATED AND BLOWN OUT OF PROPORTION. HE COMMENTED FIRES AT THE FACILITY ARE COMMON PLACE DUE TO CARELESS SMOKING BY INMATES AND THEIR USE OF MAKING-SHIFT COOKING STOVES MADE OF VARIOUS CONTAINERS AND COMBUSTABLE MATERIALS. HE RELATED THAT SOME FIRES HAVE BEEN OF SUSPICIOUS ORIGIN, BUT

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THERE IS NO EVIDENCE OF KLAN MEMBERS BEING RESPONSIBLE.

MR. PATTERSON STATED HE WAS AWARE OF THE IDENTITIES OF CORRECTIONAL PERSONNEL WHO ARE KKK MEMBERS, BUT TO HIS KNOWLEDGE, THEY HAVE NOT BEEN ACTIVELY ENGAGED IN KLAN ACTIVITY AT THE FACILITY. HE ADVISED ^NSCHOOMAKER HAS BEEN SUSPENDED FROM HIS DUTIES AS A TEACHER AT ENYCF UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE BASED ON HIS INTRODUCING CONTRABAND IN THE FACILITY AND HAVING AN INMATE PERFORM DUTIES, NAMELY PAINTING PICTURES OF KLAN FIGURES. HE ADDED ^NSCHOOMAKER'S SUSPENSION WAS NOT ATTRIBUTED TO HIS ADMITTED KKK MEMBERSHIP.

ON DECEMBER 20, 1974, A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST, ADVISED THAT AS OF THAT DATE SCHOOMAKER CONTINUED TO BE THE GRANDE DRAGON, NYS REALM, NKKKK, PINE BUSH, NY, WHICH HAS BEEN IN EXISTENCE APPROXIMATELY TWO YEARS. SOURCE STATED DURING THIS PERIOD NO VIOLENCE, FIRE BOMBINGS, DISRUPTION OR INTIMIDATION OF CORRECTIONAL EMPLOYEES AT ENYCF HAS BEEN PLANNED, CONSIDERED OR CARRIED OUT BY THE NKKKK.

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KLAN ORGANIZATION CLAIM AS THEIR AIMS, THE PROMOTION OF AMERICANISM, WHITE SUPREMACY, AND SEGRATION OF THE RACES. THEY ARE PRIMARILY ANTI BLACK AND ANTI SEMETIC. KLAN MEMBERS AND LEADERS HAVE BEEN INVOLVED IN ATROCITIES, INCLUDING BEATING, BOMBING, AND MURDER, AND HAVE ENGAGED IN ACTIVITIES SEEKING TO DENY OTHERS CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS.

ADMINISTRATIVE

SOURCE UTILIZED IS [REDACTED].

CONTACT WITH ABOVE NYS CORRECTIONAL OFFICIALS WAS MADE BY SA [REDACTED].

NY WILL CLOSELY FOLLOW THE SITUATION AS APPROPRIATE. CORRECTIONAL OFFICIALS AND SOURCES HAVE BEEN ALERTED. FBI HEADQUARTERS WILL BE IMMEDIATELY ADVISED IF ANY PERTINENT DEVELOPMENTS OCCUR. NO LHM BEING SUBMITTED.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 12/11/75

FROM : SAC, KNOXVILLE (157-2993) (C)

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

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Enclosed for the information of the Bureau are five copies of an investigative summary concerning affiliation of the subject with the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK).

Two copies of this investigative summary have been disseminated to Secret Service, Nashville, Tennessee, and one copy to the USA, Chattanooga, Tennessee. FD-376 has been stapled to appropriate copies.

For the information of the Bureau, Knoxville Division has maintained close contact with [REDACTED], who has furnished reliable information in the past, concerning the activities of the NKKKK, and source has reported that the NKKKK has disbanded in Chattanooga, Tennessee, and the subject is no longer active in any Klan activities. The Knoxville Division will maintain contact with [REDACTED] in the event information is received indicating [REDACTED] has again become involved in Klan activities, and appropriate action will be taken by the Knoxville Division to reopen this matter.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

December 11, 1975

Director
United States Secret Service
Department of the Treasury
Washington, D. C. 20220

In Reply, Please Refer to
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RE:

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Dear Sir:

The information furnished herewith concerns an individual or organization believed to be covered by the agreement between the FBI and Secret Service concerning protective responsibilities, and to fall within the category or categories checked.

1. ☐ Threats or actions against persons protected by Secret Service.
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5. ☐ Illegal bombing, bomb-making or other terrorist activity.
6. ☐ Defector from U. S. or indicates desire to defect.
7. ☒ Potentially dangerous because of background, emotional instability or activity in groups engaged in activities inimical to U. S.

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Very truly yours,

Clarence M. Kelley
Clarence M. Kelley
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s))
U. S. Secret Service, **Nashville**

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
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Knoxville, Tennessee
December 11, 1975

INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY

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[redacted]
This investigation is based on information that the subject's activities may be in violation of Title 18, U. S. Code, Section 241 (conspiracy to deprive a citizen of rights and privileges secured by the Constitution or laws of the United States).

[redacted] has been identified by a confidential source, who has provided reliable information in the past, as a member of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK) (see appendix). This group has engaged in activities that deny certain classes of citizens their rights or privileges secured by the Constitution or the laws of the United States.

[redacted] is described as a white male, date of birth [redacted] place of birth [redacted] Tennessee, 5'11", 225 pounds, brown hair, green eyes, employed as a [redacted] Chattanooga, Tennessee, Fire Department.

On September 20, 1975, [redacted] was identified as a member of the NKKKK, Chattanooga Klavern, and was attempting to form a Klavern in the Tracy City-Grundy County, Tennessee, area. [redacted] has been identified as the individual who was attempting to schedule meetings and rallies of the NKKKK

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at Tracy City, Tennessee, and if organized, would lead the Tracy City Klavern.

On September 7, 1975, JERALD R. SMITH, Grand Dragon, State of Tennessee NKKKK, along with three other Klan members from Chattanooga, Tennessee, visited the residence of [redacted] a white male, at Tracy City, Tennessee. JERALD R. SMITH told the [redacted] he represented the Ku Klux Klan and instructed him to move out of Tracy City, Tennessee, by September 21, 1975, because they [redacted]

In October, 1975, [redacted] was upset with the wide publicity [redacted] was receiving from the Chattanooga news media over a threat he received from the Ku Klux Klan, and [redacted] was going to [redacted] some evening when he was traveling from Tracy City, Tennessee, to Chattanooga.

As of November 12, 1975, there have been no efforts by [redacted] to hold meetings or rallies in the Tracy City, Tennessee, area, and there are no indications that [redacted] is attempting to form a Klavern in the Tracy City, Tennessee, area after being interviewed by the FBI.

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Tenn., was interviewed at the Chattanooga Fire Station located on 40th Street, Chattanooga, Tenn. [redacted] was advised of the jurisdiction of the FBI with regard to the investigation of extremist organizations. [redacted] furnished the following information:

[redacted] stated that he is not a member of the Ku Klux Klan, is not attempting at this time to organize a Klavern of the Klan in Tracy City, Tenn., and that he has never attended any meetings of the Klan. [redacted] stated that he presently owns a residence at [redacted] Chattanooga, Tenn., but because of the busing situation in Chattanooga, Tenn., he has moved his family to [redacted] Tenn.

[redacted] stated that he has no information concerning any threats made by individuals purported to be members of the Ku Klux Klan to [redacted] on September 7, 1975, at Tracy City, Tenn. [redacted] stated that he has no information concerning any members or leaders in the Ku Klux Klan either in Chattanooga or Tracy City, Tenn. He has no information concerning individuals possibly involved in a shooting at Tracy City, Tenn., that occurred sometime on September 23, 1975.

[redacted] stated that he has known [redacted] since they attended high school together in Grundy County, Tenn., and he considers him a homosexual, who has been nothing but trouble for the people of Tracy City, Tenn., since he has known him.

[redacted] stated that he is presently employed as [redacted] for the Chattanooga Fire Department and that the only spare time he has he uses in working [redacted] in Chattanooga, Tenn.

For [redacted] Tenn.
The following descriptive data was obtained through observation and interview:

Name
Sex
Race
Date of Birth

[redacted]
Male
White
[redacted]

Interviewed on 10/22/75 at Chattanooga, Tennessee File # KX157-2993

by SA [redacted] *DJH* DJH:mmr Date dictated 10/24/75

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Brown
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5'11"
225 pounds

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK)

The National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Incorporated, (NKKKK), a consolidation of various klan groups, was granted a charter in De Kalb County, Georgia, in November, 1963. The NKKKK was chartered as a patriotic, secret, social, and benevolent order; however, in December, 1963, the NKKKK issued a statement of its program which indicated the organization to be anti-Negro, anti-Jewish, anti-Catholic, and anti-foreign born. The NKKKK and its affiliate groups purportedly promote white Christian Americanism and combat communism. An annual NKKKK rally and cross burning has been held on Labor Day Weekend in Stone Mountain, Georgia, on the property of NKKKK Imperial Wizard James R. Venable.

Some klan members and leaders have been involved in atrocities including beatings, bombings, and murders, and have engaged in activities seeking to deny others their constitutional rights.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)
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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN
 (NKKKK)
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Re Bureau airtel dated 6/16/75.

Referenced communication requested offices receiving it to furnish FBI Headquarters and offices of origin their comments, analysis, and recommendation concerning klan groups within their respective divisions.

A review of the Charlotte file reflects that the only active klavern of the NKKKK in North Carolina, headed by a Grand Dragon, was located at Winston-Salem, N. C. On 9/9/75, the Grand Dragon of the NKKKK in Winston-Salem announced to the klavern that the klavern would be henceforth a klavern of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (KKKK), and the Grand Dragon assumed the position of Grand Dragon of the KKKK.

In view of the fact that the NKKKK no longer has a klavern unit in the State of North Carolina and the former klavern unit is now defunct, having been absorbed by the KKKK, it is being recommended that the NKKKK case file in the Charlotte Division be closed and no further investigation be conducted concerning it.

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UACB, no analysis or recommendation is being made concerning the NKKKK in North Carolina as it is not known to have a klavern here.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 12/10/75

FROM : SAC, KNOXVILLE (157-117) (C)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU
KLUX KLAN (NKKKK)
KNOXVILLE DIVISION
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Enclosed for the Bureau are five copies of an investigative summary concerning the formation and disbanding of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK), Knoxville Division. Enclosed for Atlanta and Birmingham is one copy each of the above described investigative summary.

Two copies of the investigative summary have been forwarded to U. S. Secret Service, Nashville, Tennessee, with FD-376 stapled to appropriate copies. One copy of the investigative summary has been forwarded to the USA's office, Chattanooga, Tennessee.

In view of the fact that the NKKKK has disbanded in Chattanooga, Tennessee, and efforts to organize a Klavern in Tracy, City, Tennessee, have failed to materialize, the Knoxville Division is placing the investigation of the NKKKK in a closed status, UACB.

Continuous contact will be made with [redacted] in the event JERALD SMITH, Grand Dragon for the NKKKK in the State of Tennessee, decides on reorganizing the NKKKK in the Knoxville Division, and if positive information is received, appropriate action will be taken to reopen this matter.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

December 10, 1975

Director
United States Secret Service
Department of the Treasury
Washington, D. C. 20220

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX
KLAN (NKKKK)

Dear Sir:

The information furnished herewith concerns an individual or organization believed to be covered by the agreement between the FBI and Secret Service concerning protective responsibilities, and to fall within the category or categories checked.

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6. ☐ Defector from U. S. or indicates desire to defect.
7. ☒ Potentially dangerous because of background, emotional instability or activity in groups engaged in activities inimical to U. S.

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Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "C. M. Kelley", is written over the typed name and title.
Clarence M. Kelley
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s))
U. S. Secret Service, Nashville

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
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Knoxville, Tennessee
December 10, 1975

INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK)

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This investigation is based upon information that the organization's activities may be in violation of Title 18, U. S. Code, Section 241 (conspiracy against rights of citizens), Section 245 (Federally protected activities), Civil Rights Act of 1968, or other civil rights statutes. The organization has engaged in activities to deny certain classes of citizens their rights or privileges secured by the Constitution or the laws of the United States.

In January, 1975, JERALD ROBERT SMITH, described as a white male, date of birth June 5, 1943, place of birth Daisy, Tennessee, 6'3", 230 pounds, was organizing a Klavern of the United Klans of America, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (UKA) (see appendix), in Chattanooga, Tennessee. *See also Smith*

JERALD SMITH plus unknown members of the newly formed Klavern of the UKA in Chattanooga attended regularly scheduled meetings of the UKA, Fort Payne, Alabama, Klavern because of the close association of Fort Payne, Alabama, leader GEORGE KILLIAN and Chattanooga leader JERALD SMITH. *Tenn. Ala.*

In June of 1975 KILLIAN with cooperation of JERALD SMITH and other UKA Alabama Klavern leaders withdrew from the UKA Alabama Realm and associated with the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK) (see appendix). The Chattanooga

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Klavern was registered by the UKA when formed under the Alabama Realm, and in June, 1975, ~~JOHN ADAMS~~, Grand Dragon, UKA, Alabama Realm, stated that the Chattanooga Klavern was no longer affiliated with the Alabama Realm and should affiliate itself with the Tennessee Realm.

The split by certain Klaverns of the UKA occurred because of the personal ambitions of GEORGE KILLIAN and JERALD SMITH for higher office plus the support neither SMITH nor KILLIAN received from ROBERT SHELTON, Imperial Wizard of the UKA, to replace the Grand Dragon of Alabama, JOHN ADAMS. KILLIAN was subsequently made Grand Dragon of the Alabama NKKKK, and SMITH was reported to hold the similar position in the State of Tennessee for the NKKKK.

On September 7, 1975, members of the Chattanooga Klavern of the NKKKK, along with members from the Fort Payne Klavern of the NKKKK, attended a naturalization ceremony at Monteagle, Tennessee, to bring in new members for the Chattanooga Klavern and to attempt to organize a Klavern in Tracy City, Tennessee. After the meeting four members of the Chattanooga Klavern, including JERALD SMITH, went to the residence of ~~CHARLES NOLAN~~, Tracy City, Tennessee, and demanded that the NOLANS vacate Grundy County, Tennessee, before September 21, 1975, because the four represented the Ku Klux Klan and had heard that the NOLANS, who are white, had adopted two black babies.

The September 7, 1975, meeting is the last formal meeting held by members of the NKKKK in the Knoxville Division, and the September 20, 1975, rally held by the NKKKK, Fort Payne, Alabama, Klavern in Huntsville, Alabama, was the last known activity of the NKKKK, Knoxville Division, members, with the exception of JERALD SMITH.

The disbanding of the Chattanooga Klavern was a

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result of the members' lack of enthusiasm in the beliefs of the NKKKK, the lack of support from the NKKKK National Headquarters, and the lack of leadership of JERALD SMITH. The FBI investigation into the visit of Klan members to the residence of CHARLES NOLAN also assisted in discouraging members from participating in the operation or membership of the Klavern.

As of December 9, 1975, there are no active Klaverns of the NKKKK in the Knoxville Division, and no information has been received indicating the possible reorganization of NKKKK Klaverns by JERALD SMITH.

APPENDIX

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UNITED KLANS OF AMERICA, INC.
KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (UKA)

The United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (UKA) was chartered in 1961 at Atlanta, Georgia. It was formed as a result of splits in and consolidation of other Klan groups. In July, 1961, the United Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of America, Incorporated, merged with the Alabama Knights, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. The merged organization was headed by Robert Shelton. In October, 1961, a majority of the Ku Klux Klan were merged with the UKA and Robert Shelton continued as the leader.

The UKA is the dominant Klan group in the United States with headquarters located at Tuscaloosa, Alabama, and Klaverns in various states. Robert Shelton of Tuscaloosa, Alabama, continues to be the Imperial Wizard of the organization. The stated aims and purposes of the UKA are the promotion of Americanism, white supremacy and segregation of the races. Like other Klan organizations, it is anti-Negro, anti-Semitic, and anti-foreign born.

Klan members and leaders have been involved in atrocities including beatings, bombings, and murders, and have engaged in activities seeking to deny others their constitutional rights.

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK)

The National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Incorporated, (NKKKK), a consolidation of various klan groups, was granted a charter in De Kalb County, Georgia, in November, 1963. The NKKKK was chartered as a patriotic, secret, social, and benevolent order; however, in December, 1963, the NKKKK issued a statement of its program which indicated the organization to be anti-Negro, anti-Jewish, anti-Catholic, and anti-foreign born. The NKKKK and its affiliate groups purportedly promote white Christian Americanism and combat communism. An annual NKKKK rally and cross burning has been held on Labor Day Weekend in Stone Mountain, Georgia, on the property of NKKKK Imperial Wizard James R. Venable.

Some klan members and leaders have been involved in atrocities including beatings, bombings, and murders, and have engaged in activities seeking to deny others their constitutional rights.

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DATE: 12/23/75

FROM: SAC, PITTSBURGH (157-425B) (C)

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Re Bureau letter to Pittsburgh dated 9/4/75.

The Pittsburgh Division is presently conducting investigation concerning the activities of WILLIAM B. MILLER, II, aka "Bull", BILLY, BILL, (PG file: 157-2436). An LHM is being prepared setting forth details of his activities.

Investigation indicates that MILLER was the Kleagle of the Cabell County, W. Va., unit and had several dozen followers. MILLER regularly attended Klan rallies of the West Virginia State organization of NKKKK in the Charleston, W. Va., area. Coverage of MILLER's activities are maintained through [redacted] who is in an excellent position to do so. Based upon information received to date, the Cabell County unit appears to be a branch of the state organization of NKKKK with most of the Klan activities being conducted in the Charleston, W. Va., (Kanawha County which adjoins Cabell County) area.

Through contacts with sources and local authorities, no information has come to the attention of the Pittsburgh Division indicating the existence of a group called the "Spanish Dragons."

Similarly, contact with logical sources and local police authorities does not indicate the existence of Black Panther Party members in the Huntington, W. Va., area.

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Based upon the fact MILLER and his followers attend regular Klan rallies of the state organization in the Charleston, W. Va., area, and the Cabell County unit appears to be a branch of the state organization of which [redacted] affords excellent coverage, the Pittsburgh Division is not pursuing a separate investigation directed towards the Cabell unit at this time.

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KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (KKKK)
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Re Bureau airtel dated 6/16/75.

Referenced communication requested offices to furnish FBI Headquarters and offices of origin comments concerning advisability of continuing investigation of klan groups within their respective divisions.

The Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (KKKK) has one klavern unit in North Carolina located at Winston-Salem, Forsyth County, N. C. The unit is headed by a Grand Dragon, who has appointed a Titan and a Queen Kleagle. There are no other officers. Meetings are held weekly or more often at a store building in Tobaccoville, Forsyth County, N. C.

The Grand Dragon announced to the Winston-Salem Klavern the existence of the klavern as a unit of the KKKK on 9/9/75, at which time the Grand Dragon announced the name of the new Imperial Wizard of the KKKK. Prior to that time, the KKKK klavern had been the sole klavern of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK) in North Carolina, which organization had also been headed by the same Grand Dragon. Prior to the unit being an NKKKK chapter before November, 1974, the unit was known as Winston-Salem Klavern Number 88 of the United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (UKA). The members of the present KKKK chapter are almost altogether the same members of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan in Winston-Salem, N. C. Since having

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been organized as a chapter of the KKKK, the Winston-Salem unit has had one rally at Belew Creek, Forsyth County, N.C., which was considered successful by the Grand Dragon. On Saturday, 11/15/75, the Winston-Salem Unit was host to a National Klonvocation of the KKKK in which the Imperial Wizard was present.

In view of the fact that the KKKK is a relatively new klan organization in North Carolina, little is known of its reason for breaking away from the NKKKK, or of its aims and purposes, recommendation is made that it continue to be covered as it has in the past to determine its mission as a klan group and to follow and report activities of its officers.

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)
(157-33506)

FROM : CRM/CAF
SAC, CLEVELAND (157-5031) (P)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK)
REALM OF OHIO
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DATE: 11/25/75

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Re Cleveland teletype to Bureau, 11/5/75, entitled

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Alabama
On November 10, 1975, [REDACTED], who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that the scheduled meeting of the Ohio NKKKK at the residence of Grand Dragon MARVIN L. MILLER on November 9, 1975, turned out to be only an informal gathering of several members for a few hours. No definite policies or future events involving the Ohio NKKKK were discussed.

Source stated that one item of discussion was that there will be an NKKKK "Christmas Party" held at the Imperial Palace at Stone Mountain, Georgia, on December 13, 1975. This event will be the equivalent of a semi-annual national meeting of the NKKKK. Source stated that it is not known at this time who from the Ohio NKKKK will be attending this event.

Source advised that MARVIN L. MILLER commented that 85 NKKKK applications are being processed in Alabama as a result of his great appearance at a rally held there in September, 1975.

No LHM being submitted since the above information is not considered worthy of dissemination. Cleveland will continue to follow and report the activities of the Ohio NKKKK.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, CHARLOTTE (157-10091) (P)

SUBJECT: KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (KKKK)
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Re Charlotte teletype to Bureau, et al, 11/12/75.

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight copies of an LHM as captioned above, suitable for dissemination. Enclosed for Atlanta, Cleveland, and Pittsburgh is one copy each of this LHM. Enclosed for Kansas City and St. Louis are two copies each of this LHM.

Copies of this LHM are being disseminated locally to U. S. Secret Service, Charlotte, N. C., and to USA, Greensboro, N. C.

Copies of FD-376 attached.

CARLOS JOE GRADY is the subject of a pending investigation of the Charlotte Division, Charlotte file 157-8949, as is VIRGINIA DOBY, Charlotte file 157-10104, and her husband, GEORGE H. DOBY, Charlotte file 157-10120.

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 - (2 - 157-8949) (CARLOS JOE GRADY)
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The Charlotte Division investigation was conducted at Winston-Salem, N. C., by SA PHILLIP E. CROUCH.

The Pittsburgh Division investigation was conducted at Charleston, West Virginia, by SA GEORGE KETCHEL ADAMS.

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No leads are being set out for auxiliary offices but investigation being left to the discretion of receiving offices.

LEADS:CHARLOTTE:AT WINSTON-SALEM, N. C.

Investigation continuing.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

December 12, 1975

Director
United States Secret Service
Department of the Treasury
Washington, D. C. 20220

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. CE 157-10091

RE: **KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (KKKK)
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Mr. Talmadge W. Bailey

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**KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (KKKK)
EXTREMIST MATTER - KKKK**

On November 17, 1975, CE T-1 advised that a meeting of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (KKKK) was held on November 15, 1975, at the Fireside Fish Camp, Highway 150 in Davidson County, North Carolina, approximately eight to ten miles from Winston-Salem, North Carolina. Approximately fifty individuals attended this meeting, which was in the form of a dinner, after which DALE REUSCH, Imperial Wizard of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (KKKK), addressed those in attendance, indicating he was running for President in 1976, but that he expected President FORD to declare marshal law and abolish elections in 1976. REUSCH also indicated that he was for preserving the white race. There is only one person in seven that is white. REUSCH compared himself to GEORGE WALLACE, Governor of Alabama, but he criticized WALLACE for not being strong enough in certain areas.

CE T-1 further advised that three Klan members came from West Virginia to attend the meeting; there were two members of the Klan from Missouri, as well as REUSCH and his son, name unknown, from Ohio. There were no members from South Carolina, Kentucky, Virginia or Maryland present at the meeting. Most of those in attendance were either Klan members or sympathizers from the Winston-Salem, North Carolina, area.

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Following REUSCH's speech, approximately \$60 was taken up by those in attendance, and given to REUSCH for his speech.

On November 17, 1975, CE T-2 advised WILLIAM B. MILLER, II; BOB SINGER; and TONY CLARK of the West Virginia Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, traveled together in CLARK's vehicle, to Winston-Salem, North Carolina, to attend a meeting of the KKKK. DALE REUSCH, Imperial Wizard of the KKKK from Lodi, Ohio, [redacted] and a Charleston, West Virginia, KKKK member, [redacted] a white male, [redacted] years of age, [redacted] inches tall, weighing 185 [redacted] pounds, traveled to Winston-Salem, North Carolina, in [redacted] Chrysler [redacted] vehicle. (c)

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CE T-2 advised, upon these individuals arrival in Winston-Salem, North Carolina, they telephonically contacted JOE GRADY, Grand Dragon of the KKKK in North Carolina. After contacting GRADY, GEORGE H. DOBY, Titan of the KKKK in Winston-Salem, North Carolina, accompanied by an unidentified individual, met them and took them to DOBY's residence at 4210 Mineral Springs, Winston-Salem, North Carolina. (c)

CE T-2 advised that at 3:00 PM on November 15, 1975, DALE REUSCH held a press conference at DOBY's residence, 4210 Mineral Springs Avenue, Winston-Salem, North Carolina, during which interview, there were approximately twenty Klansmen present, most of them armed with pistols. REUSCH stated in the press conference that there were eleven states represented at the meeting in Winston-Salem, but in reality, there were only representations from North Carolina, West Virginia, Ohio, and Missouri. REUSCH stated that he was stressing openness in his Klan activities since he is separated from the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK), led by JAMES VENABLE from Georgia. REUSCH indicated he was opposed to violence, but that the Klan would defend themselves and that the Klan was against drug abuse, but was for integrity of the Graces. REUSCH admitted he was a racist, and stated he was not ashamed of this because he is for preservation of the white race. He also announced that he planned to run for the Presidency in 1976, and he criticized GEORGE WALLACE stating that WALLACE was not firm enough on some issues. REUSCH stated he is afraid that President FORD would declare marshal law in 1976 and he would not be able to run for the presidency. (c)

A characterization of the NKKKK is attached as an appendix to this memorandum.

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CE T-2 advised that on November 15, 1975, (First Name Unknown) McCORKLE and (First Name Unknown) BENTLEY arrived at the airport in Winston-Salem, North Carolina. McCORKLE is the Grand Dragon of the KKKK in Missouri, and BENTLEY is the top assistant, exact title not specified. BENTLEY is described as a white male, 36 years of age, brown hair and mustache, 6 feet to 6 feet 1 inch tall, weighing 180 pounds, and reportedly served ten years in the Missouri State Penitentiary for murder. McCORKLE was described as a white male, 58 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches tall, weighing 145 pounds, graying hair. McCORKLE and BENTLEY currently reside in Jefferson County, Missouri, and are also active in Klan activities in Oklahoma and Kansas. (X)

CE T-2 stated that on the evening of November 15, 1975, a meeting was held at a restaurant near Winston-Salem, North Carolina, and that GEORGE H. DOBY had made reservations for the restaurant indicating a group of Christian people would be using the restaurant on November 15, 1975, for dinner. The dinner was attended by approximately sixty adults, with one of these not being a member of the KKKK. Following supper, REUSCH made a speech which lasted approximately forty-five minutes, and in the speech he reiterated most of what he had stated at the press conference on the afternoon of November 15, 1975. Following REUSCH's speech, a collection was taken by those in attendance at the dinner, and approximately \$70 was collected and given to him. The dinner started at 7:00 PM and was over at 9:30 PM. Following the dinner, the group from West Virginia went back to the DOBY residence at 4210 Mineral Springs Avenue, until 12:15 AM, at which time they went to their motel rooms at the Ramada Inn on Highway 52 North, near Winston-Salem Airport. (X)

CE T-2 advised on November 17, 1975, that REUSCH, SINGER, MILLER, CLARK, [redacted] left Winston-Salem, North Carolina, on November 16, 1975, driving back to Charleston, West Virginia. REUSCH returned to Lodi, Ohio, on November 17, 1975. (X)

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On November 16, 1975, The Winston-Salem Journal, a local daily newspaper published at Winston-Salem, North Carolina, had an article by Staff Reporter DAVID BAILEY entitled, "Klan's Imperial Wizard Says Group Is Opposed to Violence," which was located on Page 11A, and also had a photograph of DALE REUSCH with his Klan robe. REUSCH indicated in an interview conducted by BAILEY that he hoped to run for President in 1976 and that a meeting was being held on November 15, 1975, with Klan

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officials from eleven different states. REUSCH indicated that the new Klan's main political ambition is to motivate Klansmen to run for public office, securing more power, and they were for strong drug control legislation. REUSCH indicated he is for the genetic integrity of the races and acknowledged that he was a racist, but that he was for the self-preservation of his race. He also indicated there should be reforms in welfare. He indicated that his platform was different from GEORGE WALLACE in that WALLACE was not firm in certain areas and that WALLACE lacked the fire and aggressiveness he used to have. REUSCH stated he was running for President, but he was afraid that there would not be any Presidential Election in 1976 because the President would declare marshal law, and there would not be an election.

The article identified REUSCH as an Ohio Automobile Engine Tester for Ford Motor Company and a member of the United Automobile Workers. An unidentified Klansman was described as wearing a neat little holster with a revolver strapped to it, who sat to REUSCH's right during the interview, and REUSCH explained that a pump shotgun and ammunition cases on the kitchen counter were necessary for security measures. REUSCH indicated there had been three attempts on his life. Despite the fact that pistols, rifles, shotguns, and plenty of ammunition were in view, REUSCH continued to stress that the new Klan was opposed to violence.

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK)

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Date: 12/12/75

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
(Precedence)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

FROM: SAC, COLUMBIA (157-141) (P)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN
(NKKKK)
EM - NKKKK

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ReBulet to AT, dated 6/16/75, titled Klan
Investigations, Extremist Matters.

The NKKKK in S.C., is in the process of changing
leadership. JOHN HOWARD, Grand Dragon of the NKKKK in S.C.,
has affiliated himself and some followers with DALE RICHARD
REUSCH of Ohio.

CLYDE EDWIN JARRETT, 112 Hidden Hill Road, Spartan-
burg, S.C., is employed as an electrician, dba Ed Jarrett
Electric Company. JARRETT was the State Treasurer, spoke at
public rallies, and an active member of the Invisible Empire
KKKK. At a meeting of the Spartanburg Klavern of the IE,
held on 5/1/75, JARRETT stated that at every Klan rally where
trouble is possible, he would have available to Klansmen,
automatic weapons in a van type of trailer on the rally
grounds.

On 11/10/75, at a meeting of Greenville Klavern of
the IE, JARRETT argued with ROBERT E. SCOGGIN, Grand Dragon
of the IE and JARRETT quit the IE.

It was reported that JARRETT then traveled to Stone
Mountain, Georgia, and received clearance from JAMES VENABLE,
Imperial Wizard, National Knights, to become Grand Dragon of
the National Knights in S.C.

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On 11/23/75, JARRETT was elected Grand Dragon of the NKKKK, S.C. Realm. He stated that 117 members of the IE had agreed to join the National Knights.

It is felt that investigation of the National Knights by the Columbia Division should be continued for the following reasons:

1. The volatile makeup of the National Knights at this time.
2. The apparent irresponsibility of the New Grand Dragon.
3. The apparent efforts the new Grand Dragon will be making at recruiting new members.
4. Columbia Division's lack of informant coverage of the leadership of the new organization.

The Columbia Division would conduct investigation of an NKKKK officer in a policy-making position, a position to direct activities of others, or demonstrates a propensity for violence.

FBI

Date: 12/15/75

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Via AIRTEL _____ (Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, NEW ORLEANS (157-188) (RUC)

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN
EXTREMIST MATTER

OO: Atlanta

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Re Bureau airtel to Atlanta, 6/16/75, entitled
"KLAN INVESTIGATIONS - EXTREMIST MATTER."

Regarding the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, New Orleans has noted no activity in Louisiana in the recent past. New Orleans is conducting no investigation re this organization at the present time.

The major active Klan group in the State of Louisiana continues to be the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan on which a separate communication is being submitted.

In view of the dormant status of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan in Louisiana, this matter is being RUC'd to Atlanta.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

FROM : *WML* SAC, CINCINNATI (157-245) (P)

SUBJECT: *O* NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK)
REALM OF OHIO
EM - KLAN
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Enclosed for the Bureau are four copies of an LHM captioned "NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK), REALM OF OHIO".

Enclosed for Atlanta and Cleveland is one copy each of instant LHM.

One copy of instant LHM is being disseminated locally to the United States Secret Service, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Confidential sources utilized in the preparation of this LHM are as follows:

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CI T-2 is

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All of the information furnished by these sources was furnished during the period April 1, 1975, through December 17, 1975.

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CI 157-245

Complete details of all information summarized in instant LHM will be furnished Atlanta in appropriate form to be included in the annual report on the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

December 19, 1975

Director
United States Secret Service
Department of the Treasury
Washington, D. C. 20220

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN
(NKKKK)
REALM OF OHIO

Dear Sir:

The information furnished herewith concerns an individual or organization believed to be covered by the agreement between the FBI and Secret Service concerning protective responsibilities, and to fall within the category or categories checked.

1. ☐ Threats or actions against persons protected by Secret Service.
2. ☐ Attempts or threats to redress grievances.
3. ☐ Threatening or abusive statement about U. S. or foreign official.
4. ☐ Participation in civil disturbances, anti-U. S. demonstrations or hostile incidents against foreign diplomatic establishments.
5. ☐ Illegal bombing, bomb-making or other terrorist activity.
6. ☐ Defector from U. S. or indicates desire to defect.
7. ☒ Potentially dangerous because of background, emotional instability or activity in groups engaged in activities inimical to U. S.

Photograph ☐ has been furnished ☐ enclosed ☒ is not available.

Very truly yours,


Clarence M. Kelley
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s)) 1
U. S. Secret Service, Cincinnati, Ohio

Enclosure(s)



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Cincinnati, Ohio

December 19, 1975

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Confidential sources, who have furnished reliable information in the past, furnished the following information concerning the Ohio Realm of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK) (See Appendix):

Marvin L. Miller, 184 Woodrow Avenue, Columbus, Ohio, currently holds the official title and position as Grand Dragon (GD), in the State of Ohio.

OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

(Source: CI T-1, CI T-2,
CI T-3, CI T-4)

Other State Officers of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Realm of Ohio include:

David Pacetti - King Kleagle (State organizer)
Monroe Falls, Ohio

Ryland Edward Howe - Titan - Northern Ohio

Edward Collins - Exalted Cyclops, Columbus, Ohio

Dan Collier - Night Hawk

(Source: CI T-1, CI T-2,
CI T-3)

Miller operates the Ohio Realm of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan out of his residence, 184 Woodrow Avenue, Columbus, Ohio, through direct instructions from James Venable, Imperial Wizard, (National

STONE MOUNTAIN, GA.

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Sources whose identities are concealed herein have furnished reliable information in the past except where otherwise noted.

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Leader) with National Headquarters at Stone Mountain, Georgia. There is no established or permanent headquarters location other than Miller's residence.

(Source: CI T-1, CI T-2,
CI T-3)

There have been approximately nine meetings of the Ohio Realm of the NKKKK in the Cincinnati Division during the period April 1, 1975, through December 17, 1975, however these meetings consisted primarily of Miller's discussion of the Bible with little time devoted to Klan business per se.

Most of the NKKKK activity under the direction of Miller centered around the Columbus, Ohio area. There is little activity in the Southern Ohio area except that controlled by Meredith Rush, the Exalted Cyclops of the Loveland, Ohio Klavern. Rush, along with Parky Scott control a small group of between five to seven members of the NKKKK in the Loveland, Ohio area. This group is relatively inactive with no known meetings being held during the period April 1, 1975, through December 17, 1975.

(Source: CI T-1, CI T-3,
CI T-5)

The NKKKK has no established bank accounts and its financial status is considered weak.

(Source: CI T-2, CI T-3)

Currently, there are approximately 15 to 20 dues paying members in the Southern Ohio area.

The Ohio Realm of the NKKKK has no known official publication.

(Source: CI T-1, CI T-2,
CI T-3)

Members of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Realm of Ohio, Columbus Klavern, participated in one literature distribution during this period. This literature distribution took place in Columbus, Ohio on July 22, 1975, and was held protesting the suspension of

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two Columbus, Ohio Police Officers for alleged Civil Rights violations. The literature consisted of a flyer requesting citizens to form a defense committee to pay for legal expenses incurred by the Columbus, Ohio Police Officers in defending themselves against the civil rights charges.

(Source: CI T-1 and CI T-3)

The above information was furnished by CI T-1 through CI T-5 during the period April 1, 1975, through December 17, 1975.

A P P E N D I X

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4:45 PM NITEL 12/19/75 FJG

TO DIRECTOR, (157-33506)

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FROM CLEVELAND (157-5031) (P)

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK), REALM OF OHIO,
EM - NKKKK.

RE CLEVELAND LETTER TO BUREAU, NOVEMBER 25, 1975.

ON DECEMBER 10, 1975, [REDACTED], WHO HAS FURNISHED
RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST, ADVISED THAT MARVIN MILLER,
GRAND DRAGON, NKKKK, REALM OF OHIO, WILL BE ATTENDING THE
NKKKK CHRISTMAS PARTY AND IMPERIAL BOARD MEETING AT STONE MOUN-
TAIN, GEORGIA, ON DECEMBER 13, 1975. MILLER IS TRAVELING
VIA AIR TO ATTEND FUNCTION AND MAY BE ACCOMPANIED BY FELLOW
OHIO KLANSMEN.

SOURCE [REDACTED]

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7:19PM NITEL 1-16-76 DCS

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, NEW ORLEANS (157-16676) (P)

PLANNED DEMONSTRATION LEE'S CIRCLE, NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA,

JANUARY 18, 1976

TH - KKKK.

National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc.

CONFIDENTIAL SOURCES OF THE NEW ORLEANS OFFICE HAVE ADVISED

THAT THE KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (KKKK) ARE PLANNING A MONTH

LAYING CEREMONY TO CELEBRATE THE BIRTHDAY OF GENERAL ROBERT E.

LEE TO BE HELD AT LEE'S CIRCLE, NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA, SOURCES

HAVE ADVISED THAT AS PART OF THIS CEREMONY SEVEN ROBED KLANSMEN

WILL FIRE THREE VOLLEYS OF BLANK 12 GAUGE SHOTGUN AMMUNITION AS A

21 GUN SALUTE TO GENERAL LEE.

NEW ORLEANS, LA., PD AND SECRET SERVICE, NEW ORLEANS, LA.,

HAVE BEEN ADVISED.

NEW ORLEANS, LA., POLICE AND LOUISIANA STATE POLICE WILL BE

PRESENT AS WELL AS SOURCES OF THE NEW ORLEANS OFFICE.

LHM TO FOLLOW.

END MESSAGE...

DATES ADDED PER CALL TO NIGHT CLERK WARREN HARRIS,
NEW ORLEANS OFFICE, 1/16/76. FAT

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

FROM : SAC, CHARLOTTE (157-193)

SUBJECT: KLAN INVESTIGATIONS
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DATE: 1/20/76

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK)
EM - KLAN
(OO: ATLANTA)

(RUC)

Re Charlotte airtel to Bureau dated 11/19/75, copy
to Atlanta; and Bureau routing slip to Charlotte dated 12/4/75,
which requested identification of the Knights of the Ku Klux
Klan (KKKK) mentioned in referenced airtel.

The Knights of the Ku Klux Klan mentioned in
referenced airtel is a klan group formed in Charleston, West
Virginia, on 8/16/75, following a demonstration protesting
the use of textbooks adopted in Kanawah County, West Virginia,
and busing of children in Charleston, West Virginia. Following
the demonstration, some of the Grand Dragons who were present
met at a restaurant; and during a dinner meeting, the Grand
Dragons elected DALE REUSCH from Ohio to be the Acting Imperial
Wizard of a newly formed klan group to be known as the Knights
of the Ku Klux Klan (KKKK).

The Charlotte Division is not known to have a
chapter of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK),
which case is being RUC'd in this division. Charlotte has
one active chapter of the KKKK located at Winston-Salem, N. C.,
which is headed by CARLOS JOE GRADY.

Copies being sent to Cleveland inasmuch as Cleveland
is OO concerning KKKK.

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LEAD:

CLEVELAND

Will advise Charlotte of status of KKKK
organization formed at Charleston, West Virginia, on
8/16/75.

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Date 1/16/76Transmit in ☐ Plaintext
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From: Director, FBI

To: SACs:

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Knights of the Ku Klux Klan

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Subject (Text begins next page):

**PLANNED DEMONSTRATION LEE'S CIRCLE, NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA,
JANUARY 18, 1976.**

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January 16, 1976
GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

This is a new Assaulting Federal Officer,
Extremist Matter - Klan case wherein on 1/15/76,
Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA), Birmingham,
Alabama, advised of information received from
DEA informant that several members of the Klan
(Cullman, Alabama) plan to kill FBI Agent

[redacted]
Decatur, Alabama). Motive or justification for
such action by Klan is unknown.

Coverage of this Klan group which meets even-
ing 1/15/76, instituted. Full measures taken
to insure safety of Special Agent [redacted] and
family.

U. S. Attorney has given verbal authority to
arrest members of this Klan who travel to
Decatur and go to vicinity of Special Agent
[redacted] residence.

Birmingham advised telephonically 8:50 AM,
1/16/76, coverage of Klan meeting 1/15/76
disclosed no vehicles leaving for Decatur.
Coverage being maintained on Special Agent
[redacted] residence. Bureau source being
contacted this AM regarding results of above.
Klan meeting in attempt to substantiate
original information.

- 1- Mr. [redacted]
- 1- Mr. [redacted]
- 1- Mr. [redacted]
- 1- Mr. Walsh
- 1- Mr. [redacted]

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TO DIRECTOR
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FROM BIRMINGHAM (89-NEW) (P)

NATIONAL KNIGHTS KU KLUX KLAN, CULLMAN, ALABAMA; SA [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] - VICTIM; AFO; EM - KLAN (NKKKK)

ON JANUARY 15, 1976, SAC JAMES WILLIAMS, DRUG ENFORCEMENT

AGENCY, BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, FURNISHED FOLLOWING INFORMATION
RECEIVED FROM CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE CHARACTERIZED AS HAVING
FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST.

INFORMANT DURING MORNING HOURS WAS WITH MEMBERS OF
CAPTIONED GROUP HEARD THEM TALK OF GOING NIGHT OF JANUARY 15, 1976,
TO DECATUR, ALABAMA TO KILL [REDACTED] WHO IS AN FBI AGENT.
THE REGULAR MEETING FOR CAPTIONED GROUP IS SCHEDULED FOR
JANUARY 15, 1976, AT THEIR NEWLY LOCATED MEETING HALL IN
VINEMONT, ALABAMA, JUST OUTSIDE OF CULLMAN, ALABAMA. SOURCE
BELIEVES THIS IS THE MEETING PLACE FROM WHICH THOSE KLAN
MEMBERS WHO WILL CARRY OUT THIS PLAN WILL DEPART TONIGHT FOR
DECATUR, ALABAMA. PLANS ARE FOR THE GROUP TO GO TO DECATUR
IN AN OLD STATION WAGON WHERE THEY WILL USE AS THEIR GETAWAY
CAR AN OLD BROWN FORD FOUR-DOOR EQUIPPED WITH POLICE RADIO
MONITOR.

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SOURCE FURNISHED SIX NAMES OF KLAN OFFICERS WHO ARE AWARE OF THESE PLANS AND/OR INVOLVED IN SAME. (ALL SIX INDIVIDUALS KNOWN TO BIRMINGHAM AS MEMBERS OF THE CULLMAN KLAN)

SOURCE ALSO FURNISHED DETAILED DIRECTIONS AS TO WHERE THE KLAN MEETS EVERY THURSDAY EVENING. THIS IS A NEW MEETING HALL WHICH THE KLAN MOVED INTO APPROXIMATELY THREE OR FOUR WEEKS AGO AND IS KNOWN TO THE BIRMINGHAM OFFICE. THERE IS NO DEFINITE TIME FOR THE KLAN MEETING, HOWEVER, INFORMANT ADVISED THAT THEY WOULD MEET JUST AFTER DARK.

FOR INFO FBI HQ, [REDACTED] AGENT AT DECATUR, ALABAMA, AND FOR PAST YEAR HAS HANDLED KLAN MATTERS IN THE CULLMAN AREA. MOTIVE OR JUSTIFICATION FOR SUCH PLAN OF ACTION BY THE KLAN IS UNKNOWN.

COVERAGE KLAN MEETING, JANUARY 15, 1976, AND OF SA [REDACTED] HOME AND FAMILY INSTITUTED WITH SAC ON SCENE. FULL MEASURES BEING TAKEN TO INSURE COMPLETE SAFETY OF SA [REDACTED]

THIS MATTER HAS BEEN DISCUSSED WITH USA'S OFFICE, BIRMINGHAM, AND VERBAL AUTHORITY OBTAINED THAT MEMBERS OF THIS KLAN WHO

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TRAVEL TO DECATUR AND GO TO VICINITY OF SA [REDACTED] RESIDENCE
AND ALIGHT FROM THEIR VEHICLE CAN BE ARRESTED.

FBI HQ WILL BE KEPT PROMPTLY ADVISED OF ALL DEVELOPMENTS.

DEA INFORMANT ADVISED KLAN MEMBERS ALL CARRY GUNS TO
THIS MEETING AND THEREFORE ALL MEMBERS ARE CONSIDERED ARMED AND
DANGEROUS.

END.

CC: [Handwritten signature]

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

FROM : SAC, NEWARK (157-1980) (P)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN, INC. (NKKKK)
EM-KLAN
(OO: ATLANTA)

DATE: 1/26/76

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Re: Atlanta letter to the Bureau, 1/8/75.

Per instructions contained in referenced letter, there is enclosed for the Atlanta Division one copy of an insert pertaining to the demise of captioned organization in New Jersey and the reported activities of its replacement, Independent Knights of the KKK.

Substantially, the same information as disclosed in the insert will be reported in the form of a report.

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TO: DIRECTOR (157-168)

FROM: BIRMINGHAM (157-NEW) (P)

ATTN: INTD

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[REDACTED]; MEMBERS OF ODENVILLE, ALABAMA, KLAVERN,
UNITED KLANS OF AMERICAN, ^{National} INC., KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (UKA);
[REDACTED] - VICTIM; [REDACTED] - VICTIM. EM - KLAN;
CR. OO, BIRMINGHAM.

ON JANURAY 16, 1976, A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE WHO HAS FURNISHED
RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST ADVISED AS FOLLOWS:

SOURCE WAS TOLD BY [REDACTED] THAT LATTER
TWO WHIPPED A WHITE MAN AND A BLACK MAN, IDENTIFITIES NOT MENTIONED,
IN THE WHITE MAN'S HOME AT [REDACTED] ON
[REDACTED]. NO ONE ELSE WAS PRESENT. INFORMANT
HEARD THIS INFORMATION FROM [REDACTED]
STAYED OUTSIDE AND PUNCTURED TIRES ON A VAN AND CAR PARKED AT THE
WHITE MAN'S HOUSE. [REDACTED] HAD THEIR FACES COVERED WITH
[REDACTED] VICTIMS
WERE WHIPPED WITH A BULL WHIP. THE WHITE MAN'S WIFE WAS NOT
BOTHERED. [REDACTED] PULLED TELEPHONES OUT OF WALL BEFORE BEATINGS.

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VICTIMS ARE [REDACTED] AND THE BLACK MALE HAD ALLEGEDLY MOVED IN WITH THE WHITE COUPLE. [REDACTED] WERE ARMED AND THREATENED TO KILL THE MEN IF THEY DISOBEYED ONE ORDER.

[REDACTED] ARE MEMBERS OF ODENVILLE KLAVERN OF UNITED KLANS OF AMERICA, INC., KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (UKA).

THE UKA IS A GROUP WHOSE STATED AIMS AND PURPOSES ARE THE PROMOTION OF AMERICANISM, WHITE SUPREMACY, AND SEGREGATION OF THE RACES.

ON JANUARY 17, 1976, [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] APPEARED AT THE BIRMINGHAM FBI OFFICE AND FURNISHED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

ABOUT 1:00 A.M., [REDACTED] TWO MEN KNOCKED ON THE FRONT DOOR OF [REDACTED] MOBILE HOME AT [REDACTED]. BOTH HAD PISTOLS AND DEMANDED ENTRANCE. BOTH MEN HAD FACES

[REDACTED]
NO. 1 MAN, THE SMALLER OF THE TWO, ENTERED HOUSE FOLLOWED BY NO. 2 MAN. NO. 1 MAN SAID THEY WERE GOING TO STOP THIS "DOPE SELLING".

[REDACTED] ASKED THEM ABOUT THIS BUT GOT NO ANSWER. NO. 2 MALE PULLED TELEPHONE CORD OUT OF WALL. BOTH MEN KEPT THEIR GUNS OUT DURING

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THEIR ENTIRE STAY AND CURSED BOTH [REDACTED] AND A BLACK MALE, [REDACTED], WHO WAS ALSO PRESENT. NO. 1 MAN ORDERED THE MEN TO LIE FACE DOWN ON THE FLOOR. [REDACTED] WAS TOLD TO SIT ON THE FLOOR AND SHE WOULD NOT BE HURT. NO. 2 GAVE [REDACTED] ABOUT TEN OR FIFTEEN LICKS WITH A BULL WHIP. HE LATER GAVE [REDACTED] ANOTHER TEN OR FIFTEEN LICKS WITH THE WHIP. VICTIM [REDACTED] WAS HIT WITH WHIP ONLY ONCE BY NO. 1 MAN, WHO APPARENTLY DISCHARGED HIS PISTOL ACCIDENTALLY AT THAT TIME, WHICH FRIGHTENED HIM.

AS THESE MAN LEFT THE MOBILE HOME, NO. 1 MAN SAID, "THIS NIGGER MIXING HAS GOT TO STOP." NO. 1 MAN TOLD [REDACTED] NOT TO MOVE; THAT IF THEY DID THEY WOULD BE KILLED. NO. 1 MAN TOLD [REDACTED] TO WALK AHEAD OF HIM OUTSIDE THE HOUSE DOWN THE ROAD TOWARD THE GRAVEYARD AND NOT TO DEVIATE FROM MIDDLE OF THE ROAD AND NOT TO LOOK BACK. BOTH MEN JUMPED INTO A [REDACTED] LICENSE TAG NOT OBTAINED, AND FLED.

[REDACTED] CALLED THE RAGLAND POLICE DEPARTMENT FROM HER FATHER'S HOME NEARBY, AND ONE RAGLAND POLICE OFFICER AND A ST. CLAIR COUNTY DEPUTY SHERIFF CAME AND INVESTIGATED THE MATTER.

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

SOURCE IS WHO STATED UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES WOULD HE TESTIFY IN THIS MATTER, BEING IN FEAR OF HIS LIFE.

BIRMINGHAM WILL SUBMIT LHM.

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Furnish cc LHM to

Attn. Dept Atty William Chambers, Comm. Sect.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

DATE: 1/29/76

FROM : ~~ASAC~~ ASAC, ATLANTA (157-60) (P)

SUBJECT: 0
NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK)
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Re Atlanta report of SA [REDACTED],
dated 3/14/75. *see 1186*

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As a reminder to all receiving offices Atlanta, as office of origin in NKKKK, must submit a report to reach the Bureau by 3/15/76. Each auxiliary office having an active NKKKK chapter or members in its territory is requested to furnish Atlanta a succinct summary of NKKKK activities in its territory in insert form.

The material should be so organized that NKKKK activities will be reported separately by state. This will allow Atlanta to arrange NKKKK activities by state and permit a more comprehensive report.

Referenced report of 3/14/75, was submitted in accordance with Bureau instructions and by referring to it, auxiliary offices may get a clearer picture of the manner in which inserts should be furnished to Atlanta.

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In order to facilitate the handling of this information, Atlanta requests that each office furnish it with only one copy of its insert, with pages unnumbered, and suitable for xeroxing. Each office should also furnish Atlanta, for the inclusion in the administrative pages of this report, an unnumbered insert administrative page. "T" symbols should be preceded by the office of prefix.

Each office should take the necessary steps to obtain the information required by the manual of instructions. Membership figures, actual or estimated, should be supported by source.

Atlanta will also prepare a summary of NKKKK membership figures nationally, together with a detailed table of contents concerning the information furnished by the various offices in insert form.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 1/28/76

FROM : SAC, New Orleans (157-16606) (C)

SUBJECT: DEMONSTRATION LEE CIRCLE,
NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA,
JANUARY 18, 1976
EM-KKKK
(OO: NO)

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Remains of the
Ku Klux Klan

Re New Orleans teletype dated January 16, 1976, captioned, "PLANNED DEMONSTRATION, LEE CIRCLE, NEW ORLEANS, LA., JAN. 18, 1976."

Enclosed for the Bureau are five copies of a LHM dated and captioned as above, two copies of FD-376 attached.

One copy of this LHM being furnished to Secret Service locally.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

Director
United States Secret Service
Department of the Treasury
Washington, D. C. 20220

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. 157-16606

RE: DEMONSTRATION LEE CIRCLE,
NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA
JAN. 18, 1976

Dear Sir:

The information furnished herewith concerns an individual or organization believed to be covered by the agreement between the FBI and Secret Service concerning protective responsibilities, and to fall within the category or categories checked.

1. ☐ Threats or actions against persons protected by Secret Service.
2. ☐ Attempts or threats to redress grievances.
3. ☐ Threatening or abusive statement about U. S. or foreign official.
4. ☐ Participation in civil disturbances, anti-U. S. demonstrations or hostile incidents against foreign diplomatic establishments.
5. ☐ Illegal bombing, bomb-making or other terrorist activity.
6. ☐ Defector from U. S. or indicates desire to defect.
7. ☒ Potentially dangerous because of background, emotional instability or activity in groups engaged in activities inimical to U. S.

Photograph ☐ has been furnished ☐ enclosed ☒ is not available.

Very truly yours,

Clarence M. Kelley
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Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s))
U. S. Secret Service

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

New Orleans, Louisiana

January 28, 1976

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

DEMONSTRATION LEE CIRCLE,
NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA,
JANUARY 18, 1976
EXTREMIST MATTER -
KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN

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On Sunday, January 18, 1976, approximately 100 - 150 individuals gathered at Lee Circle, New Orleans, Louisiana, for a wreath laying ceremony to commemorate the birth of General Robert E. Lee. The ceremony was organized and sponsored by the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (KKKK) (See Appendix). Approximately 50 of those in attendance wore their klan robes. After a short speech by David Duke, the Grand Dragon of the KKKK, the theme of which was "may we live our lives as he lived," the crowd dispersed without incident.

A planned 21-gun salute to honor General Lee did not take place as the KKKK were advised by the New Orleans, Louisiana, Police Department, that any individual discharging a firearm within the city of New Orleans, would be arrested.

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ENCLOSURE

KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN

A confidential source advised that the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (KKKK) was established in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, in late 1973 by David Ernest Duke, a former leader of several local white hate type groups. The organization's publication, "The Crusader," describes the KKKK as a movement of men who are creating an organization which has the strength to stop the decay and decline of our communities and white Christian culture. It is based on the principles which made the white race and America great and which will lead them to greatness again. The KKKK has established no direct link with any other local or national Klan organization.

At a KKKK reception held for David Duke in January, 1974, he stated there soon would be a large-scale clash between blacks and whites and he urged whites to arm themselves in preparation for this. During a radio appearance at New Orleans, Louisiana, in January, 1974, Duke stated the Klan was getting ready for a violent and bad situation which he believes will arise in this country by getting guns and getting organized. Duke has traveled extensively to participate and speak at demonstrations and rallies of other white extremist groups in the United States.

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Reporting Office CINCINNATI	Office of Origin ATLANTA	Date 2/17/76	Investigative Period 2/23/75-2/9/76
Title of Case NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK), REALM OF OHIO		Report made by SA 	Typed By: msd
		Character of Case EM - KLAN	

SUMMARY

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REFERENCES:

Report of SA , 2/13/75, at
Cincinnati.
Cincinnati airtel and LHM to Bureau, 12/19/75,
captioned as above.
Cincinnati airtel to Bureau, 1/16/76.
Atlanta letter to Bureau, 1/29/76.

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

One copy of this report is being furnished to
U.S. Secret Service, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Two copies of an FD-376 are stapled to this
report.

Approved <i>TWK/HMM</i>	Special Agent in Charge	Do not write in spaces below	
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Two copies of this report are being furnished to Atlanta with one copy of the details set forth in insert form on unnumbered pages for inclusion in Atlanta's annual report.

Two copies of this report are also being furnished Cleveland and Louisville for information due to their interest in this investigation.

Cincinnati currently maintains active investigation only on the National Knights (NKKKK) Grand Dragon (GD) MARVIN MILLER, Cincinnati file 157-5519, and former GD DALE REUSCH, Cincinnati file 157-4520. All other members mentioned herein are subjects of closed cases within the Cincinnati Division.

Current activities of the Ohio Realm of the NK are centered in and around the Columbus, Ohio area, and there has been very little activity of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK) in the Cincinnati area, although a Klavern does exist in Loveland, Ohio. Its membership is estimated at between five to seven members, none of which are considered "dues paying members". Furthermore, there have been no reports of meetings of the Loveland Klavern during this investigative period. The membership of the Columbus Klavern is estimated at between 15 to 20 dues paying members. There have been regular meetings of the NKKKK, Columbus Klavern, during this investigative period, although there have been no meetings since 12/13/75. It has been reported that the Columbus Klavern

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members are becoming disenchanted with the leadership of MARVIN MILLER, primarily due to the fact that MILLER's Klan meetings consist mostly of his reading excerpts from the Bible with very little time devoted to Klan Business.

Cincinnati maintains close coverage of this group through [redacted] and [redacted].

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LEADS:

CINCINNATI

AT CINCINNATI AND COLUMBUS, OHIO

Will follow and report activities of the NKKKK Klaverns in both Columbus and Loveland, Ohio.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

February 17, 1976

Director
United States Secret Service
Department of the Treasury
Washington, D. C. 20220

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK),
REALM OF OHIO

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Clarence M. Kelley
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s)) (1)
U. S. Secret Service, Cincinnati, Ohio

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - U.S. Secret Service, Cincinnati, Ohio

Report of: SA [REDACTED]
Date: 2/17/76

Office: CINCINNATI

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Field Office File #: CI 157-245

Bureau File #: 157-168

Title: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK),
REALM OF OHIO

Character: EXTREMIST MATTER - KLAN

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
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DATE 9-1-88 BY SP8 J. J. J. / J. J. J.

Synopsis: The NKKKK, Realm of Ohio, has held approximately 15 meetings between 2/23/75 and 12/13/75. The NKKKK, Realm of Ohio, is currently under the leadership of Grand Dragon (GD) MARVIN L. MILLER, Columbus, Ohio, who replaced DALE REUSCH as GD in 8/75. MEARDITH RUSH, Winchester, Ohio, is responsible for the NKKKK activities in the Cincinnati and Loveland, Ohio areas. It is estimated that the Ohio Realm of the NKKKK, Columbus Klavern, has between 15 to 20 dues paying members, while the Loveland Klavern reports a membership of between five to seven members, none of which are classified as "dues paying members". Members of the Ohio Realm have participated in approximately four Klan rallies in West Virginia (protesting the textbook issue in that state). During the period 12/75 to 2/76 there has been a significant decline in the activities of the Ohio Realm; there have been no reports of meetings being held during this period; and it has been reported that members of the Ohio Realm are becoming disenchanted with the leadership of MARVIN MILLER. There is no official headquarters location or meeting site for the Ohio Realm. The NKKKK is not chartered in the State of Ohio. The NKKKK has no official publication, and its financial situation is considered weak.

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DETAILS:

CINCINNATI DIVISION

I. IDENTITY OF ORGANIZATION

A. Name and Headquarters

~~MARVIN L. MILLER~~ ~~MARVIN MILLER~~
The National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK)
(See Appendix), Realm of Ohio, has no official headquarters
location, however, MARVIN LESTER MILLER currently holds
the position of Grand Dragon (GD) for the Ohio Realm and
operates the organization from his residence at 184 Woodrow
Avenue, Columbus, Ohio, telephone number 614-444-9289.
MILLER operates the Ohio Realm through direct instructions
from JAMES VENABLE, Imperial Wizard (national leader),
NKKKK, Stone Mountain, Georgia.

(Source: CI T-1, CI T-2,
CI T-3, CI T-4, February 23,
1975 through February 9, 1976)

B. Charter Information

No information has been received relative to
the NKKKK having received a charter for the State of
Ohio.

(Source: CI T-5, February 23,
1975 through February 9, 1976)

C. Identity of Officers

<u>Identity of Individual</u>	<u>Position Held</u>
MARVIN LESTER MILLER Columbus, Ohio	Grand Dragon as of August 31, 1975
DAVID PACETTI Northern Ohio	King Kleagle (State Organizer)
RYLAND EDWARD HOWE Ravenna, Ohio	Titan

Member of Subject Organization

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Identity of Individual

Position Held

TONY (Last Name Unknown)
Capital University student

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~~ED COLLINS~~

Exalted Cyclops

~~DAN COLLIER~~

~~OHIO~~
Night Hawk

~~TONY PHILLIPS~~

Member of Subject Organization

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(Source: CI T-1, CI T-2,
CI T-3, CI T-4, CI T-5,
February 23, 1975 through
February 9, 1976)

D. Membership

Membership in the Columbus Klavern is estimated
at between 15 to 20 dues paying members.

Membership in the Loveland, Cincinnati area, is
estimated at between five to seven members, none of
which are considered "dues paying".

(Source: CI T-2, CI T-3,
CI T-4, February 23, 1975
through February 9, 1976)

E. Objectives

No information has been developed to date in
the Cincinnati Division relative to stated objectives of
the Ohio Realm. Discussions at private meetings in
the Cincinnati Division have centered around denunciation
of Negroes, Jews, and non-American born. Most meetings
conducted by MARVIN MILLER have consisted primarily of
MILLER's reading excerpts from the Bible with relatively
little time being devoted to Klan affairs.

(Source: CI T-1, CI T-2,
February 23, 1975 through
February 9, 1976)

II. ACTIVITIES

A. Public Activities

Members of the Ohio Realm of the NKKKK, Columbus Klavern participated in one literature distribution on July 22, 1975, in conjunction with members of the American White Nationalist Party of Ohio (AWNPO) (See Appendix). The literature distribution was held in protest of the suspension of two Columbus, Ohio police officers who were charged with civil rights violations. The literature consisted of a flyer requesting citizens to form a defense committee to pay for legal expenses incurred by the Columbus, Ohio police officers in defending themselves against the civil rights charges.

(Source: CI T-1, CI T-2,
February 23, 1975 through
February 9, 1976)

Member of Subject Organization

During the period February 13, 1975, through August 16, 1975, members of the Columbus Klavern, ~~Ohio~~ then under the leadership of DALE REUSCH as GD, traveled to West Virginia to participate in approximately eight Klan sponsored rallies protesting the use of various textbooks by the school system in West Virginia.

(Source: CI T-1, CI T-2,
CI T-3, CI T-4, February 23,
1975 through February 9, 1976)

B. Private Meetings

During the period February 13, 1975, through February 9, 1976, approximately 15 meetings of the Ohio Realm of the NKKKK were held, the majority of which were held at the residence of MARVIN MILLER, 184 Woodrow Avenue, Columbus, Ohio. The meetings consisted primarily of MILLER's reading excerpts from the Bible with only a marginal amount of time being devoted to Klan activities. Summary details of significant meetings and private activities are set forth below.

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On April 19, 1975, DALE REUSCH (then the GD of the Ohio Realm) attended the Imperial Board Meeting held at Stone Mountain, Georgia. Eight persons attended this meeting, including JAMES VENABLE, Imperial Wizard of the NKKKK. The main issue discussed was membership recruitment.

Member of Subject Organization

(Source: CI T-1 and CI T-6,
February 23, 1975 through
February 9, 1976)

On July 19, 1975, a meeting of the Ohio Realm of the NKKKK was held at the residence of MARVIN MILLER (then Titan of the Ohio Realm). Those present discussed REUSCH's ouster as GD of the Ohio Realm due to the fact that REUSCH was spending too much time with the activities of the West Virginia Klan and ignoring the activities of the Ohio Realm.

On August 21, 1975, the fact that DALE REUSCH had formed his own Klan organization was announced to the Columbus Klavern of the NKKKK at which time it was decided by the members present that MARVIN MILLER would be selected to replace REUSCH as GD.

On August 30, 1975, MARVIN MILLER attended the annual rally and cross burning held at Stone Mountain, Georgia at which time he was officially appointed to the position of GD of the Ohio Realm of the NKKKK by Imperial Wizard JAMES VENABLE.

On October 4, 1975, a meeting was held of the Ohio Realm at the residence of MARVIN MILLER in Columbus, Ohio. At this meeting the officers of the Ohio Realm were selected as set forth previously.

(Source: CI T-1, CI T-2,
CI T-3, CI T-4, CI T-5,
February 23, 1975 through
February 9, 1976)

C. Violence and Acquisition of Weapons

There has been no report of violence or acquisition of weapons by the Ohio Realm of the NKKKK.

(Source: CI T-1, CI T-2, CI T-3,
February 23, 1975 through
February 9, 1976)

D. Recruiting

During 1975 and early 1976, the Ohio Realm of the NKKKK has pursued no formal recruitment activities, which would include membership drives or rallies. Recruitment has only been achieved through word of mouth by current members.

(Source: CI T-1, CI T-2,
February 23, 1975 through
February 9, 1976)

E. Training Sessions

There have been no training sessions in the Cincinnati-Loveland, Ohio and Columbus, Ohio areas reported to date.

(Source: CI T-1, CI T-2,
February 23, 1975 through
February 9, 1976)

III. FINANCES

The Ohio Realm of the NKKKK has no established bank accounts nor does it keep financial records. The current financial situation of the Ohio Realm is considered weak.

(Source: CI T-1, CI T-2,
CI T-3, February 23, 1975
through February 9, 1976)

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IV. PUBLICATIONS

There has been no official Ohio NKKKK publication.

(Source: CI T-1, CI T-2,
February 23, 1975 through
February 9, 1976)

A P P E N D I XAMERICAN WHITE NATIONALIST PARTY (AWNPN)

In 1971, the AAWNPN, a neo-Nazi, anti-Negro, anti-Semitic organization, was founded by Russell Ray Veh of Toledo, Ohio. Following an arrest in that city for causing a disturbance on public school property and a period of incarceration for mail fraud, Veh's control of the AAWNPN was taken over by John W. Gerhardt, II, and his brother, Edward Paul Gerhardt, of Columbus, Ohio. The AAWNPN has no headquarters space and uses P. O. Box 14083, Columbus, Ohio, 43214, for all correspondence. The AAWNPN publishes on an irregular basis a newsletter called, "White Power", and as of March, 1973, has renamed the newsletter, "The White Nationalist." A source has described John W. Gerhardt, II, as the self-proclaimed national leader of the AAWNPN, and that Gerhardt is more interested in alliances with other white supremacy organizations for access to their mailing lists and memberships from which he can solicit financial assistance, than in building or sharing leadership of the AAWNPN.

A P P E N D I X

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK)

The National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Incorporated, (NKKKK), a consolidation of various klan groups, was granted a charter in De Kalb County, Georgia, in November, 1963. The NKKKK was chartered as a patriotic, secret, social, and benevolent order; however, in December, 1963, the NKKKK issued a statement of its program which indicated the organization to be anti-Negro, anti-Jewish, anti-Catholic, and anti-foreign born. The NKKKK and its affiliate groups purportedly promote white Christian Americanism and combat communism. An annual NKKKK rally and cross burning has been held on Labor Day Weekend in Stone Mountain, Georgia, on the property of NKKKK Imperial Wizard James R. Venable.

Some klan members and leaders have been involved in atrocities including beatings, bombings, and murders, and have engaged in activities seeking to deny others their constitutional rights.

DIRECTOR, FBI

1/28/76

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UNITED KLANS OF AMERICA, INC.,
KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN
(UKA, Inc.)
EM - KLAN
OO: BIRMINGHAM
(BUFILE 157-370)
PH FILE 157-841 -RUC-

UNITED KLANS OF AMERICA, INC.,
KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN,
REALM OF PA.
(UKA, PA.)
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PH FILE 157-1646 -C-

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF KU KLUX KLAN,
(NKKKK)
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(BUFILE 157-168)
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Re Bureau airtel to Atlanta dated 6/16/75, and
captioned "Klan Investigations; Extremist Matters," and
Philadelphia letter to Director dated 10/31/75, and captioned
"Klan Investigations - Philadelphia Division; Extremist
Matter."

- 2 - Bureau (RM)
1 - 157-370 (UKA, Inc.)
1 - 157-370 (UKA, Pa.)
① - 157-168 (NKKKK)
2 - Atlanta (157-60) (NKKKK) (RM)
2 - Birmingham (157-4602) (UKA, Inc.) (RM)
3 - Philadelphia
1 - 157-841 (UKA, Inc.) (SQ 11)
1 - 157-1646 (UKA, Pa.) (SQ 11)
1 - 157-2035 (NKKKK) (SQ 11)

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After thoroughly reviewing the captioned cases with the content of the referenced Bureau airtel and the current instructions to concentrate investigative efforts on quality matters in mind, Philadelphia has reached the conclusion that continued active investigation of these cases is unwarranted.

The basis for this conclusion is the continued lack of participation in activities falling within the Bureau's Jurisdictional and investigative responsibilities on the part of Philadelphia Division, Klan Units.

As the Bureau is aware, the makeup of the Klan in the Philadelphia Division is as follows:

NKKKK - 15 active members

UKA, Inc. -

- A. York Klavern - seven active members
- B. Reading Klavern - 15 inactive members

Based on informant information the UKA, Inc, and the NKKKK have no national or official state headquarters in the Philadelphia Division. Likewise there are no national officers of the Klan in this territory. Activities of the above Klan Units other than regular business meetings, have consisted for the most part of number of "Night Rides". These "Night Rides" have been orderly and non-violent with prior notification to local police by the Klan.

The Klan in this area has published on an irregular basis various newsletters. These, for the most part, have consisted of copies of commercial newspaper articles pertaining to the Klan and advertisements to Klan Members of various services and products offered by the Klan.

Philadelphia has noted that Klan membership in this area has remained fairly constant, as regards active members.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (157-168)

DATE: 2/26/76

FROM : SAC, Baltimore (157-4632) (RUC)

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SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK)
EM - NKKKK

ReATlet to Bureau dated 1/29/76.

Enclosed for Atlanta are two copies of 8 unnumbered pages summarizing activities of the Independent Klans of Maryland, aka Maryland Knights of the Ku Klux Klan for inclusion in the annual Atlanta report on the NKKKK.

In view of the fact that the Maryland klan organization under TONY LA RICCI no longer has any affiliation with the National Knights, the Baltimore file on the National Knights will be placed in a closed status.

Baltimore will not submit a report under the NKKKK caption; however, a copy of the annual report on the Independent Klans of Maryland will be designated for Atlanta.

- ② - Bureau (Registered Mail)
- 2 - Atlanta (157-60) (Enclosures 16) (Registered Mail)
- 1 - Baltimore

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Date: 2/23/76

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Via AIRTEL

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (157-5031) (C)

SUBJ: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK)
REALM OF OHIO
 EM - NKKKK

OO: CINCINNATI

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RE Cleveland letter to the Bureau, 12/12/75, entitled
 "KLAN INVESTIGATIONS, EM", and Atlanta letter to the Bureau,
 1/29/76, entitled "NKKKK".

Enclosed for Atlanta and Cincinnati is one copy
 each of referenced Cleveland letter to the Bureau.

On 2/20/76, [] who has furnished reliable
 information in the past, advised that the NKKKK in Northern
 Ohio under the leadership of MARVIN MILLER is actually defunct.
 There have been no activities in Northern Ohio during 1975
 and source foresees no activities in the future. Source
 added that there are only three known supporters for the Ohio
 NKKKK in Northern Ohio, and only DAVID PACETTI of Monroe
 Falls, Ohio, maintains any active communication with the
 state headquarters in Columbus, Ohio.

- 2 - Bureau (RM)
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- 2 - Cincinnati (Enc. 1) (RM)
- 4 - Cleveland
 - (1 - 157-6532)
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0-7 to CLEVELAND, OHIO
 Re Bu airt 2-5-76 - advised that NKKKK in Northern Ohio is defunct.
 Adv. results, Cincinnati, NKKKK, 2-23-76.

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In view of the above, no further active investigation regarding the NKKKK is being conducted by the Cleveland Division, UACB. As stated in referenced Cleveland letter to the Bureau, 12/12/75, [] will continue his membership and liaison with the organization to be of assistance to the Cincinnati Division, UACB.

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It is noted that this communication pertains only to the NKKKK Realm of Ohio under the leadership of MARVIN MILLER and not to the NKKKK Cleveland Chapter, Kleveland Klan (CVfile 157-6532) under the leadership of ROBERT LLOYD OLDAG.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

DATE: 3/15/76

FROM : SAC, ATLANTA (157-60)(P)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU
KLUX KLAN, INC., aka
EM-KLAN

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The following names are submitted to the Bureau for indexing purposes in connection with captioned organization. Identifying information available to the Atlanta Office concerning each of these individuals is set out. This list may include corrections in the spelling or in other instances a name may be spelled differently from that previously furnished to the Bureau.

NAME

IDENTIFYING DATA

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[REDACTED]

Member: NKKKK Stone Mountain

Address: [REDACTED]

Business: Toyoto of Griffin
Griffin, Georgia

Phone #: [REDACTED]

At File #: 157-7381

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Member: NKKKK Stone Mountain

Description: W/M GA

Atlanta File #: 157-7389

[REDACTED]

Member: NKKKK Stone Mountain

Description: W/M, DOB [REDACTED]

Address: [REDACTED]

Decatur, Georgia

Occupation: [REDACTED]

A.S. Turner & Son Funeral Home
(no city listed)

Atlanta File #: 157-7263

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APPROX 1916

Member: NKKKK Stone Mountain

Description: W/M Approx. Age 60

Address: Snellville, Georgia

Reputation: Former American
Independent Party Member, Great
Christian, and a Strong Segreg-
ationist

Atlanta File #: 157-7404

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Member: NKKKK Stone Mountain

Description: W/M, DPOB [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Georgia

Residence: [REDACTED]

Occupation: [REDACTED]

Unemployed-Retired

At File #: 157-7268

[REDACTED]

Member: NKKKK Stone Mountain

Description: W/M, DOB [REDACTED]

Residence: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Georgia

Occupation: [REDACTED]

Mid South Milling Company
(no city listed)

At File #: 157-7209

[REDACTED]

Member: NKKKK Stone Mountain

Description: DOB [REDACTED] POB

[REDACTED] Georgia

Residence: [REDACTED]

Lawrenceville, Georgia

At File #: 157-7286

[REDACTED]

Member: NKKKK Stone Mountain

Description: DPOB [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Georgia

Employment: Unemployed

Residence: Loganville, Georgia

AT file #: 157-7284

[REDACTED]

Member: NKKKK Stone Mountain

Description: W/M, DOB [REDACTED]

Residence: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Tennessee

Occupation: [REDACTED]

J. Avery Bryan Funeral Home
(no City listed)

AT file #: 157-7262

Member of Subject Organization

Airtel

1 - Mr. S. Klein

To: SAC, Philadelphia

2/23/76

From: Director, FBI

UNITED KLANS OF AMERICA, INC. (UKA)
KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN
EM

OO: BIRMINGHAM

BUFILE: 157-370-37

PHFILE: 157-1646

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK)

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✓ OO: ATLANTA

BUFILE: 157-168

PHFILE: 157-2035

ReBuairtel to Atlanta and other offices dated 2/5/76,
and Philadelphia letter to Director dated 1/30/76.

Referenced Philadelphia letter stated in part that
after reviewing captioned cases Philadelphia has reached the
conclusion that continued active investigation of these Klan
organizations is unwarranted. The basis for this conclusion is
the "lack of participation in activities falling within the
Bureau's jurisdictional and investigative responsibilities. . ."

Philadelphia further advised that no inserts reflecting
the activities of these groups for the preceding year would
be submitted to appropriate offices of origin.

1 - Birmingham

1 - Atlanta

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Airtel to Philadelphia
Re: United Klans of America, Inc. (UKA)
Knights of the Ku Klux Klan
157-370-37

National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK)
157-168-

In line with the above, the Bureau notes that this is in contrast to prior Philadelphia recommendations submitted by letter dated 10/31/75, in response to Bureau survey regarding the need for continued investigation of Klan organizations. In this letter Philadelphia stated ". . . pending files should be maintained on the Klan organizations so that the groups' activities can be followed through sources, both public and confidential."

As Philadelphia is aware, the Bureau is conducting a study of Klan organizations nationwide in order to determine on an individual basis, whether each Klan group warrants continued investigative attention under current Bureau guidelines.

For the information of your office, a letter was sent to the Attorney General on 2/17/76, specifically setting forth Bureau policy regarding Klan matters and the fact that this policy would be continued. The Attorney General was also advised that an indepth analysis of Klan organizations was under way at FBIHQ and that he would be advised of the results.

The Bureau appreciates Philadelphia's analysis of Klan investigations as set forth in referenced letter. The Bureau feels, though, that the closing of captioned Klan organizations is premature at this time.

In order for Bureau analysis of Klan matters to have meaning, it is necessary to have detailed activities of each operational Klan group at its disposal. Philadelphia is, therefore, instructed to promptly submit individual investigative inserts concerning UKA and NKKKK activities during the past year. These should be submitted to the Bureau as well as Birmingham and Atlanta respectively.

Airtel to Philadelphia

Re: United Klans of America, Inc. (UKA)

Knights of the Ku Klux Klan

157-370-37

National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK)

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These inserts should consist of all significant data appropriately documented, to include the number and locations of all Klan "night-rides" and the facts surrounding the printing of Klan "newsletters."

In addition, Philadelphia is to comment on appropriate administrative pages concerning the following items:

Date and caption of communications which advised the Bureau of Klan "night-rides."

The identity of klansmen involved in these "night-rides" to include whether harassment and/or intimidation was the goal of these activities.

Philadelphia should advise what is meant on page 3 of referenced letter wherein it is stated that "normal informant" and police contacts would be sufficient to advise of possible planned Klan violence. In line with this, does Philadelphia intend to maintain active paid informants covering organizations it intends to close. If this is the case, comments regarding the justification of this practice are solicited.

Copies of all Klan "newsletters" printed within Philadelphia's territory during the past year, should be obtained and forwarded to the Bureau and appropriate offices of origin for review.

It is noted that Philadelphia maintains two files on the UKA. These are identified by Philadelphia file numbers 157-341 and 157-1646. In this regard, Philadelphia should maintain only one pending case on the UKA organization with appropriate communications designated for Bureau file 157-370-37.

Airtel to Philadelphia

Re: United Klans of America, Inc. (UKA)
Knights of the Ku Klux Klan
157-370-37

National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK)
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Captioned Klan organizations should remain in a pending status. Upon completion of Bureau analysis and review of Klan investigations, Philadelphia will be appropriately advised.

NOTE:

Referenced letter closed the investigations of Klan organizations in the Philadelphia Division for the reasons shown above. By letter to the Attorney General on 2/17/76, the Bureau reiterated its policy regarding Klan investigations and stated that a study had been recently initiated at FBI Headquarters with the purpose of analyzing the activity of each Klan organization during the period spanning the past three years. The Attorney General was advised that upon completion of this study, he would be apprised of the results. It is important that each field office submit the current activities of Klan groups operating within their divisions so that a total picture of Klan activity can be analyzed. As is noted above, the Philadelphia Office has submitted two recommendations in the past three months regarding Klan investigations. The first recommendation suggested that we keep Klan matters pending; the second recommendation advised that these matters were being closed. Without factual material at our disposal, it is impossible for the Bureau to get a true picture of UKA activities as they relate to the Philadelphia Division. This would be accomplished if Philadelphia submitted its inserts as is the normal procedure in these matters.

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Date: 2/26/76

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, NEWARK

SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK)
 EM - KLAN
 BUFILE 157-168
 NKFILE 157-1930 (C)

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INDEPENDENT KNIGHTS OF THE
 KU KLUX KLAN (IKKKK)
 REALM OF NEW JERSEY
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 BUFILE 157-
 NKFILE 157-7647) (P)

Re: Newark report of SA 157-34613-1 2/3/76,
 captioned NKKKK.
 Bureau 0-17, 2/19/76.
 Newark telephone call to the Bureau, 2/24/76.

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As disclosed in referenced report, the NKKKK no longer exists in the State of New Jersey under that name inasmuch as the organization went independent. 5 FEB 27 1976

The Newark Office will close its case on the NKKKK and report the activities of the IKKKK under the indicated Newark file number. A report under the IKKKK caption will include appropriate predication and characterization, and will reach the Bureau on or before 3/26/76.

A copy of this airtel is furnished Atlanta to apprise that office of the action taken in referenced to the Bureau 0-17.

- ③ - Bureau
 1 - Atlanta (157-60) (INFO)
 3 - Newark
 (1-157-1980) (NKKKK)
 (2-157-7647) (IKKKK)

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Title of Case NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC., aka Association of Klans in America		Report made by SA [redacted]	Typed by: wy
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SUPPLEMENTAL NON-PROSECUTIVE SUMMARY

REFERENCE: Atlanta report of SA [redacted] 3/14/75.

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LEADS

ATLANTA DIVISION

AT ATLANTA, GEORGIA:

Will continue to follow and report activities of the NKKKK UACB.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

By airtel dated 12/12/75, Atlanta recommended investigation in this matter be discontinued. Atlanta still believes that this group

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does not warrant continued investigation and recommends that this case be closed.

This report is being disseminated to the Newark, Birmingham, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Indianapolis, and Columbia Offices since they are the only offices reporting any NKKKK activities in the last year, and inasmuch as the report contains information concerning activities of the NKKKK and/or individuals within their divisions.

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Report of: SA [REDACTED]
Date: March 15, 1976

Office: ATLANTA

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Field Office File #: 157-60

Bureau File #: 157-168

Title: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.

Character: EXTREMIST MATTERS - KLAN

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Synopsis: National Headquarters of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., (NKKKK) located at Stone Mountain, Georgia. JAMES R. VENABLE, continues to be Imperial Wizard of the organization. Groups in the South Carolina, North Carolina, Maryland, Ohio, and West Virginia, withdrew from NKKKK in August and established a new Klan organization under leadership of DALE REUSCH of Ohio. Officers, memberships, and activities set forth by state.

Dale Richard Reusch P GA.

DETAILS: MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

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ON 9-1-88

I. ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTUREA. HEADQUARTERS

James R. Venable Imperial Wizard

Headquarters for the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK) (See Appendix) is located on the property of Imperial Wizard JAMES R. VENABLE. The headquarters building, known as the Imperial Palace, is located at APPROX. 1905 900 VFW Drive, Stone Mountain, Georgia. This is where VENABLE's own Klavern meets weekly and where NKKKK social gatherings and national meetings were held.

MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

AT T-1, 3/1/76
APPROPRIATE AGENCIES
AND FIELD OFFICES
ADVISED BY ROUTING
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B. Charter Information

At a meeting of the NKKKK held in Tucker, Georgia, on September 6, 1964, Imperial Wizard, JAMES R. VENABLE, announced that he had incorporated the NKKKK, and that it was being operated as a separate klan.

AT-T2, 9/16/64.

The NKKKK was granted a charter in DeKalb County, Georgia on November 1, 1963, under the name of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc.

There has been no change in the charter status of the NKKKK.

AT T-3, 3/1/76.

C. Objectives

The NKKKK was chartered as a patriotic, secret, social, and benevolent order. In December, 1963, the NKKKK issued a statement of its program which indicated the organization to be anti-Negro and anti-Jewish.

AT T-1, 3/1/76.

At the December 15, 1974, Imperial Board meeting held at the Imperial Palace, Stone Mountain, Georgia, it was decided at the insistence of then Ohio NKKKK Grand Dragon, DALE REUSCH, to admit Catholics and immigrants to the organization, both groups being previously barred from membership. Imperial Wizard JAMES R. VENABLE, was cool to the idea, but nonetheless, went along with it to broaden the base of the Klan.

AT T-3, 12/16/74.

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Imperial Wizard VENABLE still does not advocate any form of violence in the settlement of racial disputes and will immediately expel from the organization any individual who he considers to be a troublemaker.

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D. National Officers

Go. JAMES R. VENABLE continues to be the Imperial Wizard and only national officer of the klan. PETE LUMPKIN, Imperial Emperor, continues to be VENABLE's right-hand man and in effect runs the organization for VENABLE who is not in the best of health.

MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

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E. Annual Rally

The NKKKK held its annual rally at Stone Mountain, Georgia, on August 30, 1975. Approximately 250 People attended this year's rally. A total of seven klansmen spoke at the rally. All denounced school busing and foreign aid.

This year's rally was noteworthy in that members of a bi-racial study group called the Pan American Association from Syracuse, New York, and the Afro-American News Service from Baltimore, Maryland, came into the rally site. The group which included two Negroes, was immediately set upon by angry klansmen. A near riot ensued. VENABLE, who remained on the speaker's platform pleaded with the crowd to remain calm.

When order finally was restored the group was escorted from the rally site and left the area. The only reported injury was to the leader of the group, Dr. ROBERT PRITCHARD. PRITCHARD was pushed to the ground and jostled. He was taken to the local hospital, where he remained overnight for observation.

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F. Publications and Propaganda

In April, 1975, the second issued of "The Klansman", self-described as the official publication of the NKKKK, was published. This issue contained a series of articles written by Imperial Wizard, JAMES R. VENABLE, and several NKKKK Grand Dragons. The articles dealt with the Federal Reserve System, the United Nations, and the Council on Foreign Relations.

Since that time, no other issues of "The Klansmen" have been published.

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G. Finances

The NKKKK has no bank account or treasury. VENABLE provides funds out of his own pocket to finance his organization and loses money annually as a result.

AT T3, 3/1/76

H.

Defection of five Grand Dragons from NKKKK and subsequent formation of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan at Charleston, West Virginia, August 16, 1975.

On August 16, 1975, DALE REUSCH, NKKKK Grand Dragon from Lodi, Ohio, finally tired of waiting for JAMES VENABLE to step aside and hand him control of the NKKKK, formed a new Klan which he named Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. REUSCH formed this group in Charleston, West Virginia, where he had thrust himself in the school textbook controversy. He claimed at first to have the support of 21 NKKKK Grand Dragons when in fact he had only the support of four, these being the Grand Dragons from West Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Missouri.

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VENABLE promptly banished all five of the renegades, accusing them of "conspiring against me" and taking in members "who are not morally fit". He has appointed new Grand Dragons for each of the states that left the organization, but klan membership in the states is now divided between the new organization, with both organizations competing for members.

AT T1, 3/1/76.

I. Activity by State

Georgia

There is only one Klavern of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan located in the State of Georgia, this being the Stone Mountain Klavern located in Stone Mountain. There are between eight and ten active members of this group. There is, however, much internal squabbling and dissention among the membership and VENABLE the Imperial Emperor PETE LUMPKIN.

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**ACTIVITIES OF NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX
KLAN IN ALABAMA**

Summary

George Killian

Member of Subject Organization

On May 19, 1975, the Fort Payne, Alabama and Chattanooga, Tennessee Klaverns of the United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (UKA) decided on May 16, 1975, under the leadership of GEORGE D. KILLIAN, Exalted Cyclops of Fort Payne Klavern and JERALD R. SMITH, leader of Chattanooga Klavern, to withdraw from the UKA and become affiliated with the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., KKKK, a consolidation of various Klan groups, which was issued a charter in DeKalb County, Georgia, in November, 1963, and is anti-Negro, anti-Jewish, and anti-foreign born.

The split in the UKA was centered around GEORGE KILLIAN, Exalted Cyclops of the UKA, Fort Payne, Alabama Klavern, as KILLIAN had an intense desire to become Grand Dragon of Alabama in place of the then current Grand Dragon JOHN ADAMS. For the past several months, KILLIAN had been attempting to persuade ROBERT SHELTON, Imperial Wizard of the UKA, to replace Grand Dragon JOHN ADAMS with KILLIAN as there was a personality clash between ADAMS and KILLIAN. Also, KILLIAN desired more personal power within the UKA. SHELTON continued to support ADAMS.

KILLIAN contacted JAMES VENABLE, Imperial Wizard of the NKKKK and apparently felt that he could be appointed Alabama Grand Dragon of the UKA. On June 16, 1975, he was designated by VENABLE to this position.

KILLIAN was able to influence the Fort Payne Klavern, the Cullman Klavern and a recently organized small group at Hazel Green, Alabama, to leave the UKA and join the NKKKK. The UKA Klavern at Chattanooga, Tennessee, was formed principally through KILLIAN's efforts as the towns are in close proximity. As a result, KILLIAN had a great deal of influence over this Klavern and was able to bring it into the NKKKK from the UKA.

(Source BH T-1, 5/19/75)

Jerald R. Smith

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MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

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Member of Subject Organization

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Summary

The Hazel Green Klavern was chartered by the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan in June of 1975. Since they have had infrequent meetings placing their main emphasis on increasing the membership of the Klavern. In August, 1975, the Klavern attempted to set up a booth at the Northeast Alabama State Fair in Huntsville; however, withdrew their request for the booth at the request of the Jaycees.

(Sources BH T-1
12/12/75
BH T-2
12/13/75)

Name and Location

Hazel Green Klavern
Hazel Green, Alabama

Membership

Active - 8
Total - 24

Identity of Officers

MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

Exalted Cyclops

RAY McMAHAN

Ala.

(Source BH T-1, 12/12/75)

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Summary

The Fort Payne, Alabama Klavern of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK) was organized in May, 1975, after the unit voted to withdraw from the United Klans of America, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (UKA).

Their meeting place is a building, which is rented, located on South Highway U. S. #11, near Fort Payne, Alabama city limits. This Klavern holds regular weekly meetings and has approximately \$300.00 in the treasury.

Membership

Active - 15
Inactive - 10
Total - 25

Identity of Officers

Exalted Cyclops
Klaliff
Kligrapp

ROY AARON
MACK ROBERTS
MIKE TOOMBS.

GEORGE KILLIAN, Grand Dragon of Alabama for the NKKKK, resides Route #6, Fort Payne, Alabama, and is a member of the Fort Payne Klavern.

(Sources BH T-1, 12/18/75)
BH T-3, 12/18/75)

Member of Subject Organization
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INDIANA

RAILTON LOY of Mishawaka, Indiana, is the leader of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. He presently has three members in his group. He is actively attempting to increase his membership, but is not meeting with success. The dominant Klan group in the Mishawaka, Indiana area is the United Klans of America, Inc.

LOY is not known to hold regular meetings and no actions of violence have been attributed to him.

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Summary

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The Cullman, Alabama Klavern on May 23, 1975, voted to leave the United Klans of America, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (UKA), and join the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK). On June 16, 1975, at a state meeting at Fort Payne, Alabama, the Cullman Klavern received its National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan Charter. The klavern meets weekly at Cullman or Vinemont, Alabama and has approximately \$100.00 in its treasury which is maintained by JOE WILLINGHAM.

MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

Name and Location

Cullman Klavern
Vinemont, Alabama

Membership

14 active
14 total

Identity of Officers

MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

JERREL PARK - Exalted Cyclops
Route 1, Vinemont, Alabama.

(Source BH T-2, 6/16/75)

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MARYLAND KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLANMARYLAND KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN

The Maryland Knights of the Ku Klux Klan was formed in early 1970 as a result of a leadership dispute, which culminated in the resignation of ANTHONY LA RICCI, Imperial Representative of the United Klans of America, Incorporated (UKA) of Maryland. The UKA was chartered in Georgia in 1961. It is under the leadership of Imperial Wizard ROBERT SHELTON, and is the dominant Klan group in the United States, with headquarters at Tuscaloosa, Alabama. In April, 1970, the Maryland Knights affiliated, in name only, with the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Incorporated. The National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan was chartered in Georgia in 1963, and is under the leadership of Imperial Wizard JAMES VENABLE, with headquarters at Tucker, Georgia. As of May, 1975, the Maryland Knights continued as an active organization. The objectives of the Maryland Knights include the preservation of white supremacy and, as stated by the Imperial Wizard of the National Knights, the education of the public to communist and subversive elements, such as International Zionism. The aims and purposes of the Maryland Knights are the opposition to forced school bussing and a desire to build a state-wide membership which would be a political factor in the State of Maryland.

Tony La RicciGa.W. Va.

MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

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I. ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

A. Headquarters

The Independent Klans of Maryland have no formal headquarters. Post Office Box 7887, Baltimore, Maryland, is used for mailing purposes.

(BA T-1 on December 18, 1975)

B. Charter Information

There is no record that the Independent Klans of Maryland, also known as the Maryland Knights of the Ku Klux Klan is incorporated in the State of Maryland.

(Department of Assessments and
Taxation, State Office Building,
Baltimore, Maryland, on
January 22, 1976)

JAMES R. VENABLE, Imperial Wizard of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK), has issued charters to groups seeking them, but these groups which have obtained charters do not pay dues to the NKKKK nor do they receive literature or directions from the National Knights. In essence, they function as independent organizations with no control by JAMES R. VENABLE. One of these independent organizations is the Maryland Knights of the Ku Klux Klan which operated with a charter issued from the NKKKK.

(BA T-2 on February 14, 1972) *Ref u*

(BA T-3 on March 30, 1973)

C. State Officers

ANTHONY ~~LA~~ RICCI, also known as TONY is Grand Dragon and his son TOMMY LA RICCI is Chief of Security.

MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

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(BA T-1 on October 29, 1975)

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D. Membership

In May, 1975, a spokesman for TONY LA RICCI's organization said there were about 135 members.

(BA T-1 on June 2, 1975)

TONY LA RICCI claimed in an article in the Washington Post newspaper of October 12, 1975, that he had at least 25 members in about 30 local dens in Maryland which would make a total of about 750 members.

II. ACTIVITIES

TONY LA RICCI held a Valentine's Day dance at the Rockaway Volunteer Fire Hall, Essex, Maryland, on February 15, 1975, under the sponsorship of the United Sportsman Club. Tickets were \$8.00 per person and there were about 100-125 present.

(BA T-4 on February 21, 1975) (c) u

TONY LA RICCI held a dinner-dance under the sponsorship of the United Sportsman Club at the Rockaway Volunteer Fire Hall on June 21, 1975. There were about 70 present and LA RICCI claimed that he made about \$200 on the dance.

(BA T-4 on June 24, 1975) (c) u

(BA T-5 on June 25, 1975)

TONY LA RICCI held a third dinner-dance at the Elks Club Hall in Essex, Maryland, on October 18, 1975, under the sponsorship of the United Sportsman Club. There were about 100 present. Tickets were \$8.50 each. There was nothing displayed which would indicate that it was a klan affair.

(BA T-4 on November 4, 1975) (c) u

(BA T-6 on October 21, 1975)

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TONY LA RICCI attended the Imperial Board meeting of the NKKKK held at Stone Mountain, Georgia, on April 19-20, 1975.

(BA T-7 on April 30, 1975)

Between April and October, 1975, TONY LA RICCI held monthly rallies on the farm property of IRA BARNES, Gamber, Maryland. JAMES VENABLE, Imperial Wizard, NKKKK, did not appear at any of these rallies. Member of Subject Organization

(BA T-9 on various dates
April 28 - October 28, 1975)

The Maryland Knights of the Ku Klux Klan held a rally at Gamber, Maryland, on April 26, 1975. There were about 125-150 present including 40-50 in klan robes. JAMES VENABLE, Imperial Wizard of the National Knights, who was advertised as a guest speaker, did not show up. DALE REUSCH, Grand Dragon, NKKKK, Lodi, Ohio, was one of the speakers. The principal topics were anti-communist, anti-Semitic and anti-Negro with less emphasis on the Negro issue than in the past.

(BA T-8 on April 28, 1975)

(BA T-9 on April 28, 1975)

[BA T-10 on April 28, 1975]

(BA T-1 on April 30, 1975)

The Maryland Knights held a rally on May 24-25, 1975, at Gamber, Maryland. There were about 40 people on the 25th. TONY LA RICCI explained to those present that his group of klansmen were not to be confused with the "splinter groups" of klansmen in the State of Maryland and that the Maryland organization was part of a national organization which was the largest or next to the largest in the United States.

(BA T-1 on June 2, 1975)

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Grand Dragon LA RICCI from Maryland was present at an anti-bussing and anti-school textbook rally sponsored by the NKKKK at Charleston, West Virginia on August 16, 1975. LA RICCI reportedly did not attend a meeting subsequent to the rally at which those present criticized the leadership of JAMES VENABLE, Imperial Wizard and ROBERT SHELTON, Imperial Wizard of the United Klans of America, Incorporated (UKA) and elected DALE REUSCH to be Imperial Wizard of a new klan organization to be known as the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

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 (BA T-11 on August 17, 1975) *(e)u*

(BA T-12 on August 26, 1975)

TONY LA RICCI held a final rally for 1975 at Gamber, Maryland, on October 25, 1975. There were about 75-100 present including 25-30 in klan robes and about 10 in security uniforms. LA RICCI said he had been associated with the National Knights of Stone Mountain, Georgia, and that JAMES VENABLE was the Imperial Wizard. LA RICCI stated that VENABLE had been invited to speak at rallies in Maryland but had never done so. He said VENABLE had turned over records to the FBI and that when VENABLE had ordered him to do the same, he had refused. LA RICCI stated that according to the press, he had been banished but that he had never received any official notice from VENABLE's headquarters in Georgia. LA RICCI told those present he had replaced VENABLE as head of the Maryland klans and would now operate under the name Independent Klans of Maryland.

(BA T-1 on October 28, 1975)

(BA T-9 on October 28, 1975)

The Washington Post newspaper dated October 12, 1975, carried an article concerning the National Knights and the Maryland Knights which is set out below:

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN, REALM OF
NEW JERSEY (NKKKK)

INDEPENDENT KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN (IKKKK)

I. ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

The NKKKK no longer exists by that name in the State of New Jersey. During April, 1974, it was voted that the NKKKK go independent and subsequently became known as the IKKKK.

NK T-1
January 7, 1976

A. HEADQUARTERS

The headquarters for the IKKKK was considered to be the residence of JERRY GREEN, former Grand Dragon of the NKKKK, in Millville, New Jersey.

NK T-1
January 7, 1976

B. OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the IKKKK are to gain white supremacy, further christianity and give a strict interpretation of the United States Constitution.

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January 7, 1976

C. NATIONAL AND STATE OFFICERS

1. Due to the independent status of the IKKKK there are no national officers.

2. JERRY GREEN is the Grand Dragon of the IKKKK and ANDREW BETTERELLI is the Exalted Cyclops.

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II. IDENTITY OF LOCAL KLAVERN (UNIT)

INKKK in New Jersey is known as Unit 1, Bridgeton, New Jersey.

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January 7, 1976

A. MEMBERSHIP

IKKKK, Unit 1, is comprised of 10 active members and five inactive members, for a total membership of 15.

NK T-1
January 7, 1976

III. FINANCES

In December, 1975, it was reported that Unit 1, IKKKK has less than \$100.00 in the bank.

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January 7, 1976

IV. PUBLICATIONS

The IKKKK, Unit 1, has no official publication.

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January 7, 1976

V. IKKKK ACTIVITY

Between April 15, 1975, and July 15, 1975, five meetings of the IKKKK, Unit 1, were conducted at the residence of ANDREW BETTERELLI in Bridgeton, New Jersey. Approximately five to nine individuals attended these meetings. In addition to the collection of dues, discussions concerning absenteeism, reorganization, membership drives, finances, current topics,

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installation of newly acquired applicants, were held regularly. Relative to recruitment, the emphasis was placed on the quality of the applicant as opposed to quantities of applicants.

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April 22, 1975 - July 30, 1975

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State of Ohio

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DETAILS:

CINCINNATI DIVISION

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I. IDENTITY OF ORGANIZATION

A. Name and Headquarters

The National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK) (See Appendix), Realm of Ohio, has no official headquarters location, however, MARVIN LESTER MILLER currently holds the position of Grand Dragon (GD) for the Ohio Realm and operates the organization from his residence at 184 Woodrow Avenue, Columbus, Ohio, telephone number 614-444-9289. MILLER operates the Ohio Realm through direct instructions from JAMES VENABLE, Imperial Wizard (national leader), NKKKK, Stone Mountain, Georgia.

(Source: CI T-1, CI T-2,
CI T-3, CI T-4, February 23,
1975 through February 9, 1976)

B. Charter Information

No information has been received relative to the NKKKK having received a charter for the State of Ohio.

(Source: CI T-5, February 23,
1975 through February 9, 1976)

C. Identity of Officers

Identity of Individual

Position Held

MARVIN LESTER MILLER
Columbus, Ohio

Grand Dragon as of
August 31, 1975

DAVID PACETTI
Northern Ohio

King Kleagle (State
Organizer)

RYLAND EDWARD HOWE
Ravenna, Ohio

Titan

Member of Subject Organization

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Identity of Individual

Position Held

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TONY (Last Name Unknown)
Capital University student

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~~ED COLLINS~~

Exalted Cyclops

~~DAN COLLIER~~

Night Hawk

~~TONY PHILLIPS~~

Kludd

(Source: CI T-1, CI T-2,
CI T-3, CI T-4, CI T-5,
February 23, 1975 through
February 9, 1976)

D. Membership

Membership in the Columbus Klavern is estimated
at between 15 to 20 dues paying members.

Membership in the Loveland, Cincinnati area, is
estimated at between five to seven members, none of
which are considered "dues paying".

(Source: CI T-2, CI T-3,
CI T-4, February 23, 1975
through February 9, 1976)

E. Objectives

No information has been developed to date in
the Cincinnati Division relative to stated objectives of
the Ohio Realm. Discussions at private meetings in
the Cincinnati Division have centered around denunciation
of Negroes, Jews, and non-American born. Most meetings
conducted by MARVIN MILLER have consisted primarily of
MILLER's reading excerpts from the Bible with relatively
little time being devoted to Klan affairs.

(Source: CI T-1, CI T-2,
February 23, 1975 through
February 9, 1976)

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II. ACTIVITIES

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A. Public Activities

Members of the Ohio Realm of the NKKKK, Columbus Klavern participated in one literature distribution on July 22, 1975, in conjunction with members of the American White Nationalist Party of Ohio (AWNPO) (See Appendix). The literature distribution was held in protest of the suspension of two Columbus, Ohio police officers who were charged with civil rights violations. The literature consisted of a flier requesting citizens to form a defense committee to pay for legal expenses incurred by the Columbus, Ohio police officers in defending themselves against the civil rights charges.

(Source: CI T-1, CI T-2,
February 23, 1975 through
February 9, 1976)

During the period February 13, 1975, through August 16, 1975, members of the Columbus Klavern, then under the leadership of DALE REUSCH as GD, traveled to West Virginia to participate in approximately eight Klan sponsored rallies protesting the use of various textbooks by the school system in West Virginia.

(Source: CI T-1, CI T-2,
CI T-3, CI T-4, February 23,
1975 through February 9, 1976)

B. Private Meetings

MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

Marvin Lester Miller

During the period February 13, 1975, through February 9, 1976, approximately 15 meetings of the Ohio Realm of the NKKKK were held, the majority of which were held at the residence of MARVIN MILLER, 184 Woodrow Avenue, Columbus, Ohio. The meetings consisted primarily of MILLER's reading ~~excerpts~~ from the Bible with only a marginal amount of time being devoted to Klan activities. Summary details of significant meetings and private activities are set forth below.

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On April 19, 1975, DALE REUSCH (then the GD of the Ohio Realm) attended the Imperial Board Meeting held at Stone Mountain, Georgia. Eight persons attended this meeting, including JAMES VENABLE, Imperial Wizard of the NKKKK. The main issue discussed was membership recruitment.

(Source: CI T-1 and CI T-6,
February 23, 1975 through
February 9, 1976)

On July 19, 1975, a meeting of the Ohio Realm of the NKKKK was held at the residence of MARVIN MILLER (then Titan of the Ohio Realm). Those present discussed REUSCH's ouster as GD of the Ohio Realm due to the fact that REUSCH was spending too much time with the activities of the West Virginia Klan and ignoring the activities of the Ohio Realm.

On August 21, 1975, the fact that DALE REUSCH had formed his own Klan organization was announced to the Columbus Klavern of the NKKKK at which time it was decided by the members present that MARVIN MILLER would be selected to replace REUSCH as GD.

On August 30, 1975, MARVIN MILLER attended the annual rally and cross burning held at Stone Mountain, Georgia at which time he was officially appointed to the position of GD of the Ohio Realm of the NKKKK by Imperial Wizard JAMES VENABLE.

On October 4, 1975, a meeting was held of the Ohio Realm at the residence of MARVIN MILLER in Columbus, Ohio. At this meeting the officers of the Ohio Realm were selected as set forth previously.

(Source: CI T-1, CI T-2,
CI T-3, CI T-4, CI T-5,
February 23, 1975 through
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C. Violence and Acquisition of Weapons

There has been no report of violence or acquisition of weapons by the Ohio Realm of the NKKKK.

(Source: CI T-1, CI T-2, CI T-3,
February 23, 1975 through
February 9, 1976)

D. Recruiting

During 1975 and early 1976, the Ohio Realm of the NKKKK has pursued no formal recruitment activities, which would include membership drives or rallies. Recruitment has only been achieved through word of mouth by current members.

(Source: CI T-1, CI T-2,
February 23, 1975 through
February 9, 1976)

E. Training Sessions

There have been no training sessions in the Cincinnati-Loveland, Ohio and Columbus, Ohio areas reported to date.

(Source: CI T-1, CI T-2,
February 23, 1975 through
February 9, 1976)

III. FINANCES

The Ohio Realm of the NKKKK has no established bank accounts nor does it keep financial records. The current financial situation of the Ohio Realm is considered weak.

(Source: CI T-1, CI T-2,
CI T-3, February 23, 1975
through February 9, 1976)

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IV. PUBLICATIONS

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There has been no official Ohio NKKKK publication.

(Source: CI T-1, CI T-2,
February 23, 1975 through
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Name of Headquarters

National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK),
Realm of Ohio, Cleveland Chapter, aka., Kleveland Klan, Inc.
receives its mail at Post Office Box 6003, Cleveland, Ohio.

[(Source: CV T-1 on 4/1/75)] (c) u

Charter Information

In May, 1974 the Kleveland Klan was expelled
from the Realm of Ohio by DALE REUSCH, Grand Dragon for
the State of Ohio. Since that time, the Kleveland Klan has
petitioned for and received a national charter from JAMES
VENABLE, Imperial Wizard of the Klan.

Under the provisions of the national charter,
the Kleveland Klan has no Grand Dragon, state charter or
state board, and is answerable only to the Imperial Wizard.

[(Source: CV T-1 on 1/20/75)] (c) u

Membership

There has been considerable friction and internal
dissension between ROBERT OLDAG and other Kleveland Klansmen
over OLDAG's refusal to give a full accounting for the dues
collected. This has led to a reduction at recent meetings
of members. At present, there are approximately 9 active
rank and file members in the Kleveland Klan, in addition to
the officers.

[(Source: CV T-1 on 1/20/75)] (c) u

[(Source: CV T-2 on 4/10/75)]

[(Source: CV T-1 on 5/6/75)] (c) u

Identity of Officers

1. ROBERT OLDAG - Province Titan
2. HARRY PRITCHARD - Province Night Hawk

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Harry Pritchard

3. KENNY ELLSWORTH - Exalted Cyclops
4. THELMA OLDAG - Treasurer
5. IMADEAN MC KAY - Secretary

Ohio

Member of Subject Organization

ROBERT OLDAG has been ineffective as a leader.
Kleveland Klan is disorganized and is experiencing internal
strife among its members.

(Source: CV T-1 on 1/20/75) *ces u*
CV T-1 on 4/17/75)

Activities

Even though several members of the Kleveland Klan have been arrested by local authorities on various charges ranging from CCW to fighting and drunkenness, their actions have mainly been directed at fellow Klansmen. The Kleveland Klan has never been known to use acts of violence, intimidation or terrorism against any social, religious or ethnic groups.

(Source: CV T-1 on 1/20/75) *ces u*
(Source: CV T-2 on 4/10/75)

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PENNSYLVANIA - PHILADELPHIA DIVISION

I. Organizational Structure

A. Headquarters

There is no official headquarters of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK) in the Philadelphia Division.

B. Charter

Philadelphia is not in possession of any information which would indicate that the NKKKK is chartered in the State of Pennsylvania.

C. National Affiliation

The Bucks County Klavern of the NKKKK has been affiliated with various National Klan Groups in the past. This unit pays no dues to any National Klan Organization at this time; however, they are most closely associated with the NKKKK.

(PH T-1, September 10, 1975)

D. National Officers

There are no known current National Officers of the NKKKK in the Philadelphia Division.

(PH T-1, January 28, 1976)

E. State Officers

ALBERT BAILEY was the Grand Dragon of the State of Pennsylvania and the States of New Jersey and New York until his death in January 1976.

(PH T-1, January 28, 1976, and
PH T-2, July 29, 1975)

F. Finances

As of May 28, 1975, the Bucks County Klavern had

\$343 in its treasury.

(PH T-1, May 28, 1975)

G. Organization and Membership

A. The only active Klavern associated with the NKKKK is the Bucks County, Pennsylvania Klavern, which meets bi-monthly at the Central Penn National Bank, Street and Hulmeville Roads, Cornwells Heights, Pa., on Tuesdays. Attendance at these meetings varies from four to eighteen members with an average of twelve.

(PH T-1, May 28, 1975)

B. Officers of the Bucks County Klavern are:

Exalted Cyclops
Klaliff
Kligrapp
Klabee
Kludd
Conductee

~~MIKE REISS~~
~~BILL MAC VAUGH~~
~~PETER THOMAS~~
~~ROY FROCK~~
~~RAYMOND DOERFLER~~
~~JAMES BABESH~~

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(PH T-1, December 29, 1975)

H. Publications

RAYMOND DOERFLER announced in June 1975, that the Bucks County Klavern would share costs for a monthly newsletter with the Klaverns in New Jersey, New York and Maryland.

The newsletter, entitled "Northern Klan Kourier" has been published three times since July 1976. On one occasion, it was entitled "Northern Klan Kalvery Kourier". RAYMOND DOERFLER publishes the newsletter and it is run off usually in Trenton, N.J., or Reading, Pa.

(PH T-1, June 18, 1975,
PH T-2, July 29, 1975, and
PH T-3, December 1975) *Des u*

I. Activities

Pa. { ALBERT BAILEY, RAYMOND DOERFLER and ROY FRANKHOUSER attended a speech given by DELMAR DENNIS at the Media, Pa.,

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Firehouse on March 12, 1975. They were upset because DENNIS had testified as a Government witness in the mid 1960s trial of individuals convicted of murdering white civil rights workers in Mississippi. There were no incidents at this meeting.

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(PH T-2, March 21, 1975)

At a regular meeting of the Bucks County Klavern, ~~RAYMOND DOERFLER~~ and ROY FRANKHOUSER spoke of harassing DELMAR DENNIS during his speeches in Media, Reading and Lancaster, Pa. It is known that no incidents occurred at those speeches.

Pa. Miss.

(PH T-1, April 9, 1975)

The Bucks County Klavern held a Christian Unity Banquet on May 17, 1975, at Henrique's Dance Studio, Street Road, Cornwells Heights, Pa. Sixty persons including women and children attended.

(PH T-1, May 21, 1975)

Fifteen members of the Bucks County Klavern drove around Bucks County, Pa., on May 24, 1975, on a "night ride" to publicize the Klan. Local police stopped them for license checks three times, but there were no incidents.

(PH T-1, May 28, 1975)

Eight members of the Bucks County Klavern took another night ride on August 2, 1975. They were not stopped by the police and no incidents occurred.

(PH T-1, August 12, 1975)

The Bucks County Klavern sponsored a memorial march on October 5, 1975, for Detective GEORGE STUCKY, a Bristol Township Policeman killed by a black man during a bank robbery two years ago. Twenty-two members in robes marched east on Bath Road from Route 413 to the Bristol Township Police Station. Police patrolled the line of march and no incidents occurred. Some of the marchers were not members of the Bucks County Klavern.

(PH T-1, October 15, 1975)

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The Bucks County Ylavern held another Christian Unity Banquet at Henrique's Dance Studio on December 6, 1975. This banquet was attended by 40 to 50 people.

(PH T-1, December 12, 1975)

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~~CONFIDENTIAL~~I. IDENTITY OF ORGANIZATIONA. Name

The official name of this organization is the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, South Carolina Realm. (See appendix).

B. Address

The address of the state headquarters for the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK), South Carolina Realm (SCR), is the residence and business of CLYDE EDWIN JARRETT, Ed Jarrett Electric Company, 112 Hidden Hill Road, Spartanburg, South Carolina. They also utilize Post Office Box 6405, Spartanburg, South Carolina, 29304.

Ed Jarrett Co.

C. Telephone Number

The telephone number used by the NKKKK is the residence and business of JARRETT, 576-3267.

D. Location of National Headquarters

The National Headquarters of the NKKKK is located at Stone Mountain, Georgia.

E. Identity and Location of
Subsidiary UnitsIdentityLocation

Easley Klavern

Easley, South Carolina

CO T-1 advised on October 21, 1975, that this klavern joined the Ku Klux Klan, Invisible Empire (KKK, IE).

CO T-1 advised on December 15, 1975, this klavern was now defunct.

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On August 16, 1975, at Charleston, West Virginia, Dale Reusch, from Ohio, and several other Grand Dragons of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan decided to leave the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan and form their own organization. The organization was called the Ku Klux Klan - Invisible Empire and Dale Reusch was elected the Imperial Wizard of this organization. The organization had as its goal to promote white Christian Americanism and combat communism. The organization is headed in South Carolina by John Howard who was formerly the Grand Dragon of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

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Identity

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Florence Klavern

Florence, South Carolina

A National Officer of the NKKKK resides in Florence, but there has been no Florence Klavern operating in 1975.

Greenville Klavern #25

Greenville, South Carolina

Greenville Klavern #51

Greenville, South Carolina

CO T-1 advised on October 30, 1975, Greenville Klavern #51 joined the KKK, IE.

Greer Klavern

Greer, South Carolina

This klavern disbanded as of September 15, 1975, according to CO T-1 on October 30, 1975.

Laurens Klavern

Laurens, South Carolina

CO T-1 advised on January 13, 1976, that this klavern was defunct.

York Klavern

York, South Carolina

CO T-1 advised on October 21, 1975, that this klavern had joined the KKK, IE.

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II. IDENTITY AND POSITION OF STATE OFFICERS

TitleNameGrand Dragon
(President)CLYDE EDWIN (ED) JARRETT
Spartanburg, South CarolinaGrand Klaliff
(Vice-President)~~FRED CRAIG~~
Columbia, South CarolinaGrand Kludd
(Chaplain)~~MIKE MAHONEY~~
Piedmont, South CarolinaGrand Klokard
(Lecturer)~~JAMES HOWELL~~
Laurens, South CarolinaGrand Night Hawk
(In charge of candidate)~~RICKY CAMPBELL~~
Greenwood or Woodruff,
South CarolinaGrand Kligrapp
(Secretary)~~JACK LAWSON~~
Woodruff, South CarolinaGrand Klabee
(Treasurer)~~CHARLES MURPHY~~
Woodruff, South CarolinaGrand Kladd
(Conductor)~~ROGER DUNAWAY~~
Woodruff, South Carolina

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III. MEMBERSHIP

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It is not possible to accurately determine the present membership of the NKKKK as several klaverns do not apparently know at this time to which national organization they presently belong.

On December 12, 1975, CO T-2 advised that klaverns in the following cities were expected to soon affiliate with ED JARRETT in the NKKKK:

Aiken, South Carolina

Columbia, South Carolina

Conway, South Carolina

Greer, South Carolina

Moncks Corner, South Carolina

South Congaree, South Carolina

York, South Carolina

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IV. OBJECTIVES

National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, South Carolina Realm, has as its objectives the promotion of Americanism, the segregation of races, and the promotion of white supremacy.

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V. NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN RALLIES

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Spectators Present</u>	<u>Robed Klansmen</u>
5/3/75	Greenville, S. C.	25	15
5/4/75	Greenville, S. C.	30	12
5/17/75	York, S. C.	2	13
5/18/75	York, S. C.	10	20
5/31/75	Andrews, S. C.	5	25-30
6/1/75	Andrews, S. C.	15	12
8/30/75	Greenville, S. C.	45	35
8/31/75	Greenville, S. C.	75	14

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VI. FINANCES

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CO T-2 advised on December 12, 1975, that to his knowledge, the NKKKK has no money in any bank account. He stated that the new Grand Dragon has not as yet set new dues for members and it apparently remains at \$15 per annum.

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VII. PUBLICATIONS ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

CO T-2 advised on December 12, 1975, the
NKKKK in South Carolina presently has no publications.
He stated that the new Grand Dragon is planning to
put out a monthly newsletter but has not done so.

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VIII. FOREIGN INFLUENCES

The activities of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, South Carolina Realm, are in no way dictated or influenced by any foreign power.

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IX. CONNECTION WITH OTHER EXTREMIST,
SUBVERSIVE OR REVOLUTIONARY GROUPS

The National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, South Carolina Realm, is in no way affiliated with any other extremist, subversive or revolutionary group in South Carolina or elsewhere.

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X. MISCELLANEOUS Member of Subject Organization

* CO T-4 advised on March 10, 1975, DOUGLAS M. FORRESTER, State Kleagle, attempted to get permission from Chief of Police at York, South Carolina, for the NKKKK to picket on Main Street in York, because of racial troubles at York schools. Permission was denied and the NKKKK did not picket. (e) u

CO T-1 advised in August, 1975, that several Grand Dragons, including JOHN HOWARD, Grand Dragon of South Carolina, left the National Knights and form the Ku Klux Klan of the Invisible Empire (KKK, IE), formed under the leadership of DALE RICHARD REUSCH of Ohio.

On November 10, 1975, CO T-3 advised that the Greenville Lodge of the Invisible Empire, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Realm of South Carolina, (a characterization of which is attached hereto) held a meeting on November 9, 1975. At this meeting, BOB SCOGGIN, Grand Dragon of the IE and ED JARRETT, both from Spartanburg, South Carolina, became engaged in a heated argument. JARRETT stated he was leaving the IE and would attempt to join the National Knights.

MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

On November 18, 1975, CO T-3 advised that CLYDE EDWIN JARRETT, better known as ED JARRETT, Spartanburg, South Carolina, had traveled to Stone Mountain, Georgia, and had received JAMES VENABLE's permission to become Grand Dragon of South Carolina.

On September 1, 1975, CO T-1 advised DALE REUSCH purchased a pistol from a klansman at a NKKK Public Rally on August 30, 1975, at Greenville, South Carolina. There was apparently some indication that this klansman could obtain additional guns to supply to REUSCH. CO T-1 advised on September 24, 1975, he had determined the individual who sold the gun to REUSCH was

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JAMES F. EDDLEMAN of Greenville, South Carolina. EDDLEMAN obtained the gun from his half-brother, WINDELL WAYNE SELLERS. EDDLEMAN advised he could no longer obtain guns as SELLERS had been arrested for bank robbery. SELLERS is known as a bank robber.

CO T-2 advised on May 1, 1975, that at a klan meeting held on April 30, 1975, ED JARRETT indicated that at every rally where trouble is possible, that he would have available to klansmen automatic weapons in a van type of trailer on the rally grounds. It was also suggested by JARRETT that the security guards carry weapons at all rallies to be held this coming season.

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XI. ACTIVITY OF KLAVERNS

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CO T-1 advised on January 13, 1976, that there are several members of the NKKKK, SCR, that reside all over the State of South Carolina, but are not in active klaverns.

EASLEY KLAVERN

CO T-1 stated on December 15, 1975, that this klavern no longer exists. He stated the klavern closed because of lack of interest and attendance on the part of the klan members.

FLORENCE KLAVERN

CO T-1 advised on January 13, 1976, that JERRY ARD, a member of the National Board of the NKKKK resided in Florence, South Carolina, however, there was no Florence klavern.

Member of Subject Organization

GREENVILLE KLAVERN NUMBER 25

A. Name, Location, Post Office Box, and Telephone Number

Greenville Klavern number 25, NKKKK is also known as the Greenville Gun Club, and does not utilize any Post Office Box. The telephone number is that of the Exalted Cyclops, 233-7832. Meeting places have been various abandoned buildings on the west side of Greenville, South Carolina.

B. Identities and Position of Officers

HAROLD EMORY has been acting as Exalted Cyclops since April 30, 1975. There are no other officers listed.

C. Membership Member of Subject Organization

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Membership in this group has varied in 1975 from about 20 to 25 with only about 8 to 12 active.

D. Objectives

The objectives of the Greenville Klavern are in accord with the National Organization, and they are seeking their goals by use of the ballot box.

E. Summary of Activities

The Greenville Klavern held four public rallies during 1975. The group did not participate in any known acts of violence, terrorism, or intimidation.

The group is not known to have acquired, nor is it in the process of stockpiling any type of weapons or ammunition. The group has participated in no known training sessions. Regular meetings of this organization are scheduled for Sunday afternoons. These meetings have been held sporadically and members of the Greenville Lodge 51 might meet with members of Lodge 25, and accordingly there is no way to tell what the actual participation is in either Lodge 51 or 25.

F. Finances

Lodge 25 has an account with Southern Bank and Trust Company in Greenville, South Carolina, under the name Greenville Gun Club, account number .

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G. Publications

This group published nothing during 1975.

H. Miscellaneous

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Greenville Lodge number 25 has had internal problems during 1975 with bickering among the members. One of the internal problems is the fact that an appointed officer was found to be having an affair with another klansman's wife.

(Source: CO T-1, many occasions, 1975)

GREENVILLE KLAVERN NUMBER 51

Greenville Klavern number 51 has no known meeting place, Post Office, telephone number, and presently no officers. Although there are members of Greenville Lodge number 51, they have been meeting with Greenville Lodge number 25. Lodge number 51 has engaged in no known activities during 1975. They have no bank account and no publications. Any activities on the part of Greenville Lodge 51 would be in connection with the individual members engaging in activities with the members of Greenville Lodge number 25.

(Source: CO T-1, 1975)

GREER KLAVERN

CO T-1 advised on September 15, 1975, that during 1975 the Greer Klavern only had four or five members and finally disbanded on September 15, 1975. He stated they had no officers, no meeting place, and no mailing address. He stated that they participated in no activities or acts of violence.

LAURENS KLAVERN

On January 13, 1976, CO T-1 advised that the Laurens Klavern went out of existence about eight months ago and at that time it had only 3 or 4 members.

YORK KLAVERN

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CO T-1 advised on October 21, 1975, that the York Klavern left the NKKKK and followed JOHN HOWARD when he helped organize the KKK, IE. Source stated that the York Klavern had no bank account, officers, meeting place, or mailing address. He stated that two public rallies were held at York, South Carolina, on May 17-18, 1975, however, even at this time there apparently was no organized York Klavern.

SPARTANBURG KLAVERN

CO T-2 advised on January 9, 1976, that the Spartanburg Klavern office is to be set up for the NKKKK and located at the residence and business establishment of ED JARRETT, Ed Jarrett Electronics, 112 Hidden Hill Road, Spartanburg, South Carolina, telephone 576-3267. He advised that this klavern has not as yet been organized in the Spartanburg area.

On January 15, 1976, ED JARRETT, Ed Jarrett Electronics, 112 Hidden Hill Road, Spartanburg, South Carolina, was contacted on another investigative matter and he stated that he was Grand Dragon for the State of South Carolina of the NKKKK. JARRETT advised further that at the present time, there is no Spartanburg Klavern of this organization; however, he would take steps during the next several months to set up a klavern in the Spartanburg, South Carolina, area.

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AMERICAN WHITE NATIONALIST PARTY (AWNP)

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In 1971, the AWP, a neo-Nazi, anti-Negro, anti-Semitic organization, was founded by Russell Ray Veh of Toledo, Ohio. Following an arrest in that city for causing a disturbance on public school property and a period of incarceration for mail fraud, Veh's control of the AWP was taken over by John W. Gerhardt, II, and his brother, Edward Paul Gerhardt, of Columbus, Ohio. The AWP has no headquarters space and uses P. O. Box 14083, Columbus, Ohio, 43214, for all correspondence. The AWP publishes on an irregular basis a newsletter called, "White Power", and as of March, 1973, has renamed the newsletter, "The White Nationalist." A source has described John W. Gerhardt, II, as the self-proclaimed national leader of the AWP, and that Gerhardt is more interested in alliances with other white supremacy organizations for access to their mailing lists and memberships from which he can solicit financial assistance, than in building or sharing leadership of the AWP.

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK)

The National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Incorporated, (NKKKK), a consolidation of various klan groups, was granted a charter in De Kalb County, Georgia, in November, 1963. The NKKKK was chartered as a patriotic, secret, social, and benevolent order; however, in December, 1963, the NKKKK issued a statement of its program which indicated the organization to be anti-Negro, anti-Jewish, anti-Catholic, and anti-foreign born. The NKKKK and its affiliate groups purportedly promote white Christian Americanism and combat communism. An annual NKKKK rally and cross burning has been held on Labor Day Weekend in Stone Mountain, Georgia, on the property of NKKKK Imperial Wizard James R. Venable.

Some klan members and leaders have been involved in atrocities including beatings, bombings, and murders, and have engaged in activities seeking to deny others their constitutional rights.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

1 - Mr. J. B. Adams

1 - Mr. J. A. Mintz

(Attn: [REDACTED])

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TO : Mr. T. W. Leavitt

DATE: 3/17/76

FROM : [REDACTED]

1 - Mr. T. W. Leavitt

1 - Mr. [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK)
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PURPOSE

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
DATE 9-1-88 BY SP8UJ/fab

Purpose is to advise of FBIHQ position that the reporting of Ku Klux Klan "night rides" is within Bureau responsibility and jurisdiction, and is not a "suppression of the rights of each individual as to his freedom of movement..." as asserted by the Philadelphia Division. Recommendation follows to submit an airtel to the personal attention of the SAC, Philadelphia, advising him that the Philadelphia Office should report details surrounding any "night rides" which may occur in the future.

SYNOPSIS

On 1/30/76, Philadelphia Office advised it was closing investigations of two Klan groups and that Klan activity consisted of nothing more than business meetings and "night rides." No information located in appropriate Bureau files regarding "night rides." By Bureau airtel 2/23/76, Philadelphia was instructed, among other things, to advise of details surrounding these "night rides" as well as identifying those Klansmen involved. By airtel 3/8/76, Philadelphia supplied information regarding "night rides" but stated it would not report this activity in the future. Philadelphia claimed that reporting the names of individuals participating in "night rides" could be considered a "suppression of the rights of each individual as to his freedom of movement by the Federal Government." FBIHQ does not concur with this position as it is felt such "night rides" (described as robed Klansmen riding through the streets at night with fiery crosses burning) are intimidating and could result in violence.

CURRENT BUREAU POLICY

Current policy authorizes investigation of Klan organizations based on possible violation of Federal civil rights statutes.

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Individual Klansmen are the subjects of investigation if they are identified as leaders in policy making positions, or who are able to direct the activities of other members, or members who have demonstrated a propensity for violence. Field Offices have the responsibility to report to the Bureau pertinent information relating to the above so that this might be disseminated to the Department of Justice and other interested Federal Agencies.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that attached airtel be approved and sent to the SAC, Philadelphia, instructing that details surrounding future "night rides" be appropriately furnished to FBIHQ.

DETAILS

APPROVED: _____
Assoc. Dir. _____
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Dep. AD Inv. *YBA/pw*
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By letter dated 1/30/76, the Philadelphia Division closed its investigation of the United Klans of America, Inc., (UKA) and the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK). Both of these groups have National Headquarters in states other than Philadelphia. The Philadelphia Office covers state-wide activity of the UKA and NKKKK as it applies to their Division.

Above investigations were closed based on Philadelphia's claim that activity on the part of these groups fails to fall within the Bureau's jurisdictional and investigative responsibilities. It was reported that other than regular business meetings, activities for these groups consist for the most part of a number of "night rides." Review of pertinent Bureau files failed to reveal any information relating to these "night rides."

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On 2/23/76, an airtel was sent by the Bureau to Philadelphia instructing, among other things, that Philadelphia submit to the Bureau details surrounding the number and locations of Klan "night rides," the identity of Klansmen involved, and whether harassment or intimidation was the purpose of these rides. Philadelphia was also instructed to keep their cases on both Klan groups in a pending status for the present time. This was based on the fact that a study was recently instituted by the Bureau concerning Klan organizations nationwide in order to determine, on an individual basis, whether each Klan group warrants continued investigative attention. Investigative inserts containing the activity of each Klan group in Philadelphia was necessary in order that the appropriate Offices of Origin might include these in their annual reports. This information would be the basis of Bureau analysis of the activity of each Klan organization as well as the analysis of each individual Klan subsection.

By airtel dated 3/8/76, Philadelphia submitted investigative inserts which outlined Klan activity including above "night rides." One of these "night rides" was described in a Klan publication as follows:

"Three pickup trucks loaded with robed Klansmen rode through Bucks County for four hours without one incident of trouble. The trucks were decorated with slogans, flags, and a fiery cross."

Philadelphia asserts that these "night rides" did not constitute harassment or intimidation and did not feel it was necessary to report such information to the Bureau. It was stated by Philadelphia that they would not forward to FBIHQ the dates and identities of future "night rides." Philadelphia maintains that supplying FBIHQ with the identities of those individuals participating in these "night rides" could be

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considered a "suppression of the rights of each individual as to his freedom of movement by the Federal Government."

We do not concur with this position as the sight of robed Klansmen riding at night through the streets with fiery crosses burning, certainly could be construed as intimidating and could result in the onset of violence. It would also be beneficial to obtain the identities of those involved in this type activity so that if violence did occur during any of these "rides" the identities of possible subjects could be obtained rapidly.

